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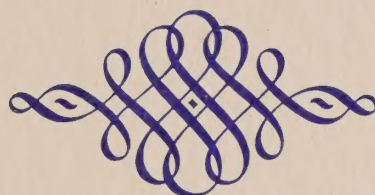
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---On resuming at 9:30 a.m.

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Mr. Shaw will introduce the delegation to the Commission.

---EXHIBIT NO. 297: Submission of Canadian Red Cross Society, "The Role of One Voluntary Organization in Canada's Health Services".

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SUBMISSION OF
THE CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY

APPEARANCES: Mr. D. Bruce Shaw
Mr. Frank Hull
Dr. John T. Phair
Dr. W.S. Stanbury
Mr. W.E.C. Martin
Mr. Maxwell Bruce

MR. SHAW: Good morning, Mr. Chairman, distinguished members of this Commission. I am, as indicated, Bruce Shaw, national chairman of the Canadian Red Cross Society. I have with me this morning Mr. Frank Hull, Chairman of the National Executive Committee, Dr. John Phair, Honorary Adviser in Public Health, Chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee to the Blood Donors' Service, Blood Transfusion Service and also Chairman of the Junior Red Cross. Mr. Martin is the Honorary Treasurer of the National Society, and on the far right Mr. Maxwell Bruce, our Honorary Counsel. Last but by no means least our national commissioner, Dr. Stanbury, to whom we will be assigning a big part of these proceedings.

With your permission, sir, would you like me to open the presentation.

THE CHAIRMAN: Whatever way you wish to handle it, Mr. Shaw.

MR. SHAW: I do have a couple of little things I would like to say to the Commission before turning over the main work to our Commissioners. I want to say as the President of the Society how happy we are to have the opportunity of making a presentation to



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4 you. We hope that it will prove constructive and useful
5 to you in the task that you have set your hand to.

6 When we accepted the invitation to
7 make the submission, Central Council of the Society
8 instructed the National Officers that the job be as
9 thoroughly done as it was possible to do it. We wanted
10 it to be as comprehensive and as complete and certainly
11 as accurate as careful painstaking research could
12 possibly provide. We had no idea, I might say, at the
13 early stages just how much painstaking research would
14 be required, but it went forward.

15 The Canadian Red Cross, after the
16 first war, when it accepted in common with other members
17 of the legal Red Cross Societies, with the peace time
18 role assigned to it, that is the improvement of health,
19 prevention of disease and mitigation of suffering
20 wherever it may be found, immediately assumed responsibility
21 in the field of health services over a very wide front.
22 At that time, as a voluntary agency, we pioneered new
23 projects, the Society gave leadership in projects which
24 are undertaken by others, and generally has been most
25 active in the whole health field from that time forward.

26 We are grateful that the Commission
27 has given us an opportunity to chronicle the experience
28 and achievements of the Society, because the research
29 I have spoken of has covered what is new to most of us.
30 I think we were quite impressed with what we found.
We are indebted to our National Commissioner and to the
senior members of his staff for the preparation that
went into this submission, which consumed countless hours,



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4 what would otherwise have been leisure hours, but we
5 are very proud with the finish product. We know it is
6 going to be very valuable to the Red Cross; we hope
7 it will be useful to you in your work.

8 Now, at this point, Mr. Chairman, I
9 should like to ask Dr. Stanbury to present to you a
10 summary of the submission and the recommendations that
11 we are making.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Stanbury?

13 DR. STANBURY: Mr. Chairman, members
14 of the Royal Commission, as your Secretary has stated,
15 we have two submissions, but for the moment I will confine
16 myself to the summary and conclusions, The Role of One
17 Voluntary Organization in Canada's Health Services.
18 There is one chapter in this submission which is
19 supplementary to that, the Origin, Development and Future
20 of the Canadian Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service,
21 namely, Chapter 15 of this submission, paragraphs 638 to
22 643, which brings the first document up to date.

23 SUMMARY OF MAIN CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

24 1. Need for the Voluntary Agency in the Health Services:

25 Since the beginning of time, all
26 social progress has been made through man's desire to help
27 his fellow man. That nation is greatest in which the
28 greatest number of citizens assume self-imposed
29 obligations for the common good. Voluntary organizations
30 are the logical bodies through which these potentially
powerful forces for the public weal can be channeled
and employed. Governments will never be able to cover



the whole field of public health, nor is it desirable that they should do so.

2. Function of the Voluntary Agency in the Health Services:

(a) To be thoroughly familiar at all times with existing official and private services available in the health field; to stimulate and maintain interest in public health work and thus create the right climate of public opinion in order that necessary and desirable legislation may be enacted.

(b) To recognize the primary responsibility of government and establish a close relationship so that programmes can be operated in co-operation with the statutory authority or on its behalf when such is considered to be the most efficient and economical method.

(c) To ensure that its projects fill gaps in the public health services and do not overlap activities already carried out by governmental or other voluntary agencies, so as to avoid duplication.

(d) To plan and conduct well-balanced programmes which could be continued within the framework of existing public health services.

(e) To experiment with new ideas and methods; initiate pilot programmes and demonstrate their value, and to turn them over to the official health services if and when this is appropriate.

(f) To ensure that all its programmes are conducted at such a high professional and technical level that they will serve as models and will deserve



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the endorsation of the statutory authority and the support of the public.

3. Status of the Canadian Red Cross Society:

The Canadian Red Cross Society is a member of the International Red Cross. The formation and encouragement of National Red Cross Societies has been endorsed by the United Nations Organization. Each National Society has been recognized by its government as an auxiliary to the public health services.

4. Recommendations in Relation to the Canadian Red Cross Society:

The Canadian Red Cross Society believes it has demonstrated that this country needed and still needs the services it can contribute, and that its programmes are planned and conducted in such a manner that it performs the accepted function of the voluntary agency in the health services.

As a primary function of the Canadian Red Cross Society is to initiate and demonstrate new health programmes and to operate them in consultation with the statutory authority, it must always remain flexible. When the report of this Royal Commission on Health Services has been published, it may prove to be timely and desirable to turn over some Red Cross programmes to the official health services or to pioneer new ones. In the meantime, therefore, our recommendations which follow are, with few exceptions, of a general rather than a specific nature.

Since we believe that the Government of



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4 Canada and the provincial governments recognize that the
5 Society is performing a valuable role in the country's
6 health services, we RECOMMEND that the statutory
7 authorities use every means to keep before the public
8 the desirability of continued and increased financial
9 support of Red Cross work.

10 5. Veterans' Services;

11 All programmes for veterans have
12 been initiated either at the request of or in collabora-
13 tion with the Department of Veterans Affairs or its
14 predecessors. All have been designed to improve the
15 mental and/or physical health of the veteran and his
16 family, and have been recognized by the Department of
17 Veterans Affairs as accomplishing that purpose.
18 Hospital visiting is done entirely by volunteers. The
19 work in Lodges is almost entirely performed by volunteers;
20 Lodges could not be operated by an official agency
21 except at great expense and at the loss of the friendly
22 atmosphere and extra services which volunteers can
23 provide. The Arts and Crafts programme could be
24 provided by the Department itself, but at greater expense
25 due to the loss of volunteer participation. We RECOMMEND
26 that all these programmes be continued as long as they
27 perform their present useful function and as long as
28 the Society has the means to support them. While no
29 doubt there will always be need for a degree of
30 individual emergency aid by a voluntary agency which
provides 24-hour service, we trust the day will come when
this can be limited to real emergency situations which
arise on holidays and weekends when official agencies



are not available.

6. Junior Red Cross:

The Junior Red Cross has a three-fold objective: to improve the health and hygiene in the communities in which they live; to inculcate the idea of service to others, as a responsibility of citizenship, by providing incentive and suitable channels for social and community service; to foster international friendship and understanding. We RECOMMEND that the health and educational authorities use every means to strengthen and extend the Junior Red Cross within the educational systems.

7. Nursing Education:

The Canadian Red Cross Society pioneered the field of nursing education in this country by financing the establishment of public health nursing courses in five universities and, through the years, has enabled many nurses to obtain higher education by providing bursaries, scholarships and loans. Recently the Society has again pioneered by initiating the first Canadian fellowship for a nurse to study abroad at the doctoral level. We RECOMMEND that funds from other sources now be made available for nurses to pursue studies at the doctoral level and that eventually, when sufficient such personnel have been qualified, Canadian universities generally accept graduate study into their own curricula.

8. Dental Clinics:

The Canadian Red Cross Society contends that Red Cross dental clinics have long since demonstrated their value and that they are continued only to fill a gap

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with no financial help being offered, based on their own merits.

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British Red Cross

that the first nursing school in Canada was founded in 1882

and that they are now considered one of the best in the



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4 in the public health services. We RECOMMEND that the
5 municipal and provincial Departments of Health now
6 assume this responsibility.

7 9. Outpost Nursing Stations:

8 The Canadian Red Cross Society
9 believes that its outpost Nursing Stations are filling
10 a need in frontier areas and that they will eventually
11 be absorbed into health districts as such organized.
12 As an interim measure, we RECOMMEND that adequate
13 financial support be provided by all provincial
14 Departments of Health.

15 10. Home Nursing:

16 Through Red Cross courses in Home
17 Nursing, taught by professional nurses on a voluntary
18 basis, Canadian women learn to become more skilled
19 and resourceful in caring for the sick in their homes.
20 This preparation also equips them to give efficient
21 voluntary service in hospitals, child health centres,
22 mobile chest x-ray surveys, prenatal education classes,
23 crippled children's centres, as well as in Red Cross
24 services. We RECOMMEND that this programme be endorsed
25 on the basis that it provides valuable training,
26 promotes a spirit of voluntary public service, is con-
27 ducted on a high professional standard, at minimum
28 expense, and prepares the family to receive the optimum
29 benefits from any community health programme.

30 11. Sickroom Supply Loan Services:

The Red Cross Sickroom Supply Loan
Service performs an important function in facilitating
the care of patients in their own homes, but every year



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4 it becomes more expensive and more difficult to administer
5 on a strictly emergency basis. The Society believes
6 it is logical to expect that the service might become
7 an essential feature of any official home care
8 programme. As a home care programme has not as yet
9 been recognized as part of this country's official
10 health services, we are not prepared at this time to make
11 any specific recommendation with regard to the future
12 role of the voluntary agency in the provision of this
13 service.

12. Homemakers Service:

13 A homemakers service is an integral
14 part of an adequate community health and welfare
15 programme; there is a great unmet need for such
16 services, which will probably increase; it is a community
17 responsibility to provide such services whether under
18 voluntary or public auspices; the care of the indigent
19 and semi-indigent should be ensured by the municipal
20 and provincial welfare authorities. We RECOMMEND that
21 provision of homemakers service should be an integral
22 part of any future prepaid or insured health plan,
23 whether under public or voluntary auspices.

13. Blood Transfusion Service:

24 The Canadian Red Cross Blood
25 Transfusion Service has been said to be "the most
26 ambitious public health programme every undertaken by
27 a voluntary organization anywhere". It has now
28 attained national coverage. The Canadian Red Cross
29 Society believes that it is uniquely equipped to operate
30 and administer a national blood transfusion service based

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and technical welfare authorities. We recommend that
provision of homecare services should be an integral
part of any future regional or district health plan,
whether under public or voluntary auspices.

13. Homecare Services

The need for homecare services
has been said to be the most
urgent in health care programmes every undertaken by
a voluntary or public authority. It has no
technical or financial counterpart. The Committee believes
that it is urgently needed to cooperate
and co-ordinate a homecare service.



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4 on the voluntary principle. We RECOMMEND that the
5 national Blood Transfusion Service in all its aspects
6 should continue to be operated and administered by the
7 Canadian Red Cross Society with adequate financial
8 assistance from the federal and provincial governments.
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THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much,
Dr. Stanbury.

In perusing this document, which is a large one, we can see that really the philosophic discussion and justification for the voluntary agencies and societies are well known as well as covering the philosophy of Red Cross. We have had submissions from many voluntary organizations and agencies but no other agency has delved as deeply into the history and development of the voluntary agency as Red Cross has done. We are indebted, Mr. Shaw and gentlemen, to the Red Cross for what has been done here.

It is not unbecoming that the Red Cross should have done this because it is, by far, the largest voluntary organization in the world and has very active branches and organizations in all countries including the countries on both sides of the Iron Curtain and, through the means of the Red Crescent, of the Islamic countries as well. We accept this brief as containing the principles upon which voluntary organizations did come into being and upon which they may or ought to continue in the future.

This summary is a very condensed one and perhaps it might be as well if we did have some expansion of this question of the blood transfusion services, just what function it now performs and particularly what the Red Cross sees for the future in the event that there comes into being in Canada some form of national or national and provincial health service on a prepaid basis in whatever form it may take. The



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question is not being predicated upon any particular plan but just opening up the subject in a general way, having in mind and recognizing the trend of the times that something may well come into being, where will the Red Cross fit into that picture?

MR. SHAW: I will take a crack at that. No one is any better equipped to talk on this whole broad field than our National Commissioner, perhaps because of a little narrower range of intimacy with the whole field of the blood transfusion service because it is a vast one.

I might make a few personal comments; first of all, I would say this is a subject that has engaged the attention of our governing body, the Central Council, at great length and we have had many serious discussions about it. The policy we have established at the moment is pretty well contained in the clause that Dr. Stanbury read to you having to do with the blood transfusion service. This is broken down into two parts, the technical end and the procurement end.

The procurement end is the gathering together of the donors, the extraction of the blood from them and the organization that will keep the blood of donors coming forward to the extent required that will permit the Society to meet, as it has done so far, its claim that free blood is available now to any hospital anywhere in Canada in any quantity that may be required. That places a great stress and strain on our donor procurement service and they are constantly



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on the edge of endangering the validity of that claim. However, we think we can continue to do it; that is the donor end. I think I can speak for the Society here when I say that the donor end of it with all its aspects should continue to be the sole responsibility of a voluntary organization and we believe the voluntary organization should be the Canadian Red Cross Society.

THE CHAIRMAN: Just on this point, are you able to give some estimate of the number of volunteers engaged in this donor procurement program across the country?

MR. SHAW: Dr. Stanbury, could you pull that figure? I can tell you, I think I would be on safe ground in giving you the number of bottles - perhaps Dr. Stanbury could give it to you accurately.

DR. STANBURY: Quite apart from the volunteer donors themselves, which are the largest group of volunteers ---

THE CHAIRMAN: I am talking about those who organize and perform the work.

DR. STANBURY: In addition to the volunteer donors which last year numbered 679,300, we have large groups engaged in the recruitment of volunteers, the operating of telephone services and so on. It is very difficult to estimate the number but if we take the Toronto branch as one single example, there are some 1,100 people actively engaged, week after week, in the recruitment of volunteers, using the telephones and driving trucks and that type of thing.

Another example is our women's work



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committees which make or send goods for international relief, prepare all the surgical material amounting to over 6 million pieces last year. We estimate this alone saved the Society some \$37,000. The Junior Red Cross is similarly active in that field of preparing surgical dressings and their numbers are in the millions.

I think it would not be too far afield to state that possibly several hundreds of thousands of people are directly or indirectly engaged in the blood transfusion service quite apart from the almost 700,000 volunteer blood donors.

MR. SHAW: Is that an adequate answer to the question? Moving to the other phase of this service, the technical end ---

THE CHAIRMAN: That phase of it; the Red Cross takes care of the cost of the whole operation of the procurement service - is Red Cross responsibility?

MR. SHAW: We have done and believe we should continue to find the funds to completely finance the procurement end of the blood transfusion service.

Then we move into the technical end. The part of the organization responsible for the handling of the blood once taken, the testing, the classification, the storage, the transportation, the cross-matching, everything that goes into the handling of ---

DR. STANBURY: The technical side does include taking of the blood, that is a professional service.



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4 MR. SHAW: You see the distinction
5 Dr. Stanbury is making; that the donor procurement
6 people get the bodies to the clinics but immediately
7 anything is done along the medical treatment line
8 they become a responsibility of the technical end, the
9 drawing of the blood and that sort of thing. In that
10 end of the service it is there that we run into substan-
11 tial expense; therefore, we cannot rely on volunteers.
12 There we must be sure that we have thoroughly qualified
13 technical people and professional people looking after
14 that phase of the service. The wisdom of that policy
15 has been proven in the records so far from a professional
16 point of view and from the record of safety, if you like,
17 that has been very high indeed.

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19 The point I want to make here is that
20 here we get into a cost and relatively low voluntary
21 participation; there is voluntary participation but it
22 is here that the large part of our expense develops
23 and it is in this area that we have had to develop our
24 relationship with governments as to assistance. Initially,
25 as the brief will point out, as the service began to
26 become countrywide, we had to establish a formula to
27 get going on. Originally we had a formula where we
28 asked the Provincial Governments through their Hospital
29 Insurance Commissions or whatever the agency involved
30 might be for 30% of the technical cost. That was a
test, if you like, and we operated under that for a
number of years. That 30% continued but proved to be
inadequate, the service therefore creating too severe
a strain on our funds and endangering our other programs.



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5 a fresh approach to the Provincial Governments and the
6 Federal Government. Through matching grants arrangements
7 now with the provincial contribution to match equally
8 with the federal contribution and we have succeeded in
9 getting the province's acceptance, province and Federal
10 Government's acceptance of a new formula which from
11 this point forward will involve the payment by government
12 of 60% of technical cost and the Society picking up the
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4 MR. SHAW: The point we would like to
5 emphasize here is that 60% wasn't an accidental figure.
6 It is our philosophy, rightly or wrongly, as long as
7 this is to be known as a voluntary blood transfusion
8 service the Society should somehow finance more than
9 half the total cost, and the 60% of the technical cost
10 works out to a result that the Government would contribute
11 about 48 and one-half per cent of the overall cost,
12 donor and technical together with the Society picking up
13 just over 50%, 51%. We are getting into decimals here.
14 This is our philosophy at the moment, and our policy
15 is then we feel if this is to be a voluntary operation
16 that we must not let the Government get in the position
17 of paying more than a percentage of the cost. We think
18 more than 50% of the cost might be dangerous. That is
19 our present philosophy. Does that carry your understand-
20 ing, Dr. Stanbury? Have I put that correctly.

21 DR. STANBURY: There is a legal
22 precedent to this as far as the meaning of voluntary aid
23 society within the meaning and context of Article 10 of
24 the first Geneva convention. The Society asked for a
25 ruling on this matter during World War II and Mr. Justice
26 Reid, who was then legal advisor to the Department of
27 External Affairs said the Society would never be endangered
28 in its rights as a voluntary aid society within the
29 context of the Geneva convention as long as Governments
30 weren't paying extraordinary amounts toward the total
cost. In other words, that is, as long as the Society
continued to bear the major portion of the cost its status
under the Geneva convention would be assured. There is a



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bit of a legal precedent to this. Chapter 16 gives details, Chapter 16 does give details of the financial support in actual amounts both for the year ended 31st December 1961 and the budgeted amount for the current calendar year.

THE CHAIRMAN: In round figures what does the overall transfusion service cost, in round figures what is it?

DR. STANBURY: The gross cost in 1961 was \$3,545,941.00 and the technical cost is \$2,683,526.00 from which we recovered from the Hospital Insurance Commission as a facility under the Hospital Insurance Plan \$1,362,994.00. This was an increase over the preceding year as will be indicated from our comparative statement of over \$500,000.00.

THE CHAIRMAN: That is the first year that the transfusion service blanketed the country completely.

DR. STANBURY: Yes, sir. That was a windfall in the sense we had no right to anticipate this additional 15% when the budget was prepared in November, 1960, so therefore, we have a windfall of some \$411,000.00 in this particular year that will be non-recurrent in the future.

THE CHAIRMAN: In the international work, Mr. Shaw, in which the Canadian Red Cross has participated very actively for a period of years, where does the finances for the international work come from or where have they come from, where do you expect they will come from in the future?



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MR. SHAW: The answer to that is important. I think it should be quite accurate. I think Dr. Stanbury has the document in front of him which he might, if you would like, refer to. I would simply say up until 1960, the Society had virtually no money in the budget for international relief work as such apart from the Women's Work and so on. We were in unusual circumstances permitting us to finance without drawing on the public, which I would like Dr. Stanbury to recount to you.

DR. STANBURY: Mr. Chairman, if you will kindly refer to our consolidated schedule of designated and reserved funds you will see under International Relief a fund entitled International Relief Fund. The origin of that was in the European Flood Relief Fund effort of 1953 and a special committee was created under the chairmanship of His Excellency the Governor General of Canada that raised funds for the relief of the victims of the great floods of Great Britain, the Netherlands and Belgium. To that fund the Government of Canada contributed \$1,000,000.00. Some \$3,105,100.00 were accumulated. At the suggestion of the then Prime Minister of Canada the Canadian Red Cross Society was designated as the administrative arm of the European Flood Relief Committee.

MR. SHAW: May I interject, you mentioned the Federal contribution, would you explain the others?

DR. STANBURY: Yes. Of the \$3,105,000.00 the Federal Government contributed \$1,000,000.00. The Provincial Governments contributed \$323,000.00 and the



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rest was raised from the public, \$1,782,700.00. When all the disbursements had been made for the rehabilitation of the people of Great Britain, the Netherlands and Belgium, the unexpended surplus was in the neighbourhood of \$649,000.00. We appealed to the Prime Minister of Canada as to how we could be relieved of the stewardship as regarding this fund. At his suggestion the Act was put through the House of Commons undesignating those funds and creating what we now call the International Relief Fund. The Provinces were similarly canvassed and raised no objection to that, although no legislation was passed. Our main source for international relief since 1954 has been this fund. An average of \$135,000.00 has been spent annually, excepting special projects such as the Hungarian refugee relief period. Otherwise it has been an average of around \$135,000.00. At the close of the year you will note that approximately \$43,900.00 is left in this fund but already in 1962 we have had major calls on it; Yugoslavia, the hurricane in Morocco, and most recently the provision of medical teams, traffic and other personnel for the repatriation of the Algerian refugee children in Tunisia and Morocco. At the present time we have two sets of medical teams, one doctor, two nurses, two traffic men and an organizer. Nine personnel are in Algeria and we still have one man in the Congo dealing with the reorganization of the Congolese Red Cross in cooperation with UNESCO in the distribution of the milk programs for pregnant women and under-nourished children. We have, as you will see from this schedule a number of designated funds which we undertake to administer.



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We have a long history in that respect and the most recent one last year was the British Honduras Hurricane Relief Fund of 1961 which was undertaken --- the fund-raising was undertaken by a special committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Earl McLaughlin, President of the Royal Bank of Canada. This was successful, the committee raised approximately \$120,000.00. That is typical of the many designated funds we undertake to administer at no cost whatsoever to the fund. Of course, we are trustees in the strictest sense in relation to these funds. These are not our own funds, such as the British Honduras or the Greek Earthquake.

MR. SHAW: It should, perhaps, be underlined here that this set of circumstances that did provide the source of funds to us--those have now been virtually all expended. We have, the Canadian Red Cross Society has created for itself an enviable standing in the world because of the contributions it has been able to make, not only in people, but having had the financial resources to undertake them. We will be faced with the necessity of finding some alternate source of funds when this \$43,000.00 that appears here ...

DR. STANBURY: There is only \$23,000.00.

MR. SHAW: It is down to \$23,000.00 and we are faced with the necessity of carrying into our campaign the problems and responsibilities of budgeting for international relief.

THE CHAIRMAN: By and large you will have to get that money through your campaign fund, I take it?



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MR. SHAW: That is right.

DR. STANBURY: I don't think we should forget to mention the very large contributions made to us by two groups of volunteers, our Women's Work Committee and our Junior Red Cross. Virtually the whole expenditure for the Women's Work Committee are shown on these schedules, \$332,964.00 is for raw materials only so the value of the relief supply in made up clothing and bedding would certainly be three or four times that amount. Similarly the Junior Red Cross has contributed in recent years something in the neighbourhood of \$180,000.00 for international relief. That is quite apart from the \$135,000.00 I mentioned.

THE CHAIRMAN: Then, on the domestic scene you spoke of pilot projects in various health fields. What is the situation at the present time in regard to those pilot projects?

MR. SHAW: I suppose the most interesting one is the one just now completed in Alberta. Would you like to speak to that?

DR. STANBURY: Of course, in a sense, our greatest pilot project of recent history has been the blood transfusion service. I think, Mr. Chairman, what you may be referring to is the Grand Prairie Pilot Project in Paragraph 526 to 534. We are aware, of course, that various home care programs have been studied here in Toronto and Western Canada, some primary work has been done in Wellington County, but this one is rather unique in that it is attempting to study the philosophy of home



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care in what might be called the frontier area of Canada, that is the area that has certain urban elements as well as rural elements, the Peace River block of the Province of Alberta. This program is now in the stage where it is ready to be reported on in the very near future.

THE CHAIRMAN: When that report becomes available, may we have it?

DR. STANBURY: Certainly. It is a closely integrated program with the Department of Health of Alberta with facilities that are available locally, no new programs are being introduced. It is a matter of utilizing what is available in the area, and therefore it is heavily concentrated on home nursing programs and sick room supply loans all of which is professionally supervised by the health group and the medical advisor of health.

MR. SHAW: May I add one other example, Dr. Phair just reminded me, one of our most interesting pilot projects in the nursing field in training of nurses was what we refer to as the Windsor Project where the Red Cross financed for a period of four years for the cost of \$40,000.00, total cost of \$160,000.00 an experiment into qualifying nurses over a two-year period instead of a three-year period. That is covered in our brief, but it is a very interesting venture and we hope to find now that the lessons we learned there are being put into practice and are becoming very useful indeed in the project here in connection with the University of Toronto.



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THE CHAIRMAN: Perhaps Dr. Strachan and the members of the Commission would be interested in the pilot dental project in Northern Saskatchewan?

DR. STANBURY: Mr. Chairman, that is a Junior Red Cross project, and it will be found in Chapter VII, paragraph 298, pages 87 and 88. In this, Mr. Chairman, the Department of Health were concerned as to the dental health of native children in the northern part of the province, which were without any dental care whatsoever, so the Junior Red Cross of the Saskatchewan Division concentrated on providing two travelling dental clinics, two each year, at both Cumberland House and Ile a la Crosse.

Now, this project is in its final year, but already the regular dental attention of these many children, the importance of regular dental attention, has been amply demonstrated, and the Junior Red Cross of the Saskatchewan Division have submitted the details of the pilot project to the Department of Health, with a recommendation that a permanent dentist should be appointed for northern Saskatchewan, who could visit centres, such as the two I have mentioned, twice yearly and that would be a tremendous contribution to the dental health of the people in that province.

That has been done to date at a relatively low cost of \$9,042 per year, but that is not actually the real cost, because at least five of the clinics, of the 15 that were performed in the first two years, were made possible by the voluntary services of dentists.



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There are quite a number of projects in that section dealing with dental care under Junior Red Cross, but this is one of the more recent and very interesting ones.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Is there any demand for this service from other provinces in similar areas?

DR. STANBURY: Yes sir, we have got a very big program in Ontario, travelling dental clinics are covered on page 84, paragraphs 278 to 282.

At the present time the Junior Red Cross is supporting three dental coaches, which travel in Northern Ontario in areas not served by a resident dentist. In 1957, the cost of these coaches was over \$18,000 but by 1961 it reached a total of \$31,605.

Now, as we have mentioned in our summary and conclusions, we are a little concerned at the mounting costs to the Junior Red Cross each year of the various dental projects, particularly as we believe that the need has already been established, and the method of handling the need has also been established.

For example, in the past two years, the cost of dental services defrayed by Junior Red Cross has varied from anything between 79,000 to 83,000 dollars per year of Junior Red Cross funds, which are, of course, designated funds raised by the children themselves in the school and are quite separate from the funds of the senior Society.

I might add that the senior Society



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pays all the administrative costs of the Junior Red Cross and the funds raised by the children themselves go to the specific projects.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Do you get any aid from the Departments of Health of the various provinces in these projects?

DR. STANBURY: No sir, these are considered pilot projects. We have been urging that they be taken over in whole or in part, and under the Montreal Dental Clinic Study you will see that some progress has been made in that regard. The City of Montreal Department of Health has gradually taken over some of the clinics, but we don't think that in a city such as Montreal that Junior Red Cross funds should continue to be spent for this purpose, when it is surely the legitimate responsibility of the public health authorities, or the educational authorities, to look after the dentally indigent children.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: For the most part the preventive dental services, as I note here, were apparently donated by the dental profession?

DR. STANBURY: You are speaking of the Saskatchewan project?

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Yes.

DR. STANBURY: Yes, at five of the fifteen clinics under review, the dentists gave their services voluntarily, but generally speaking, these projects are done by a salaried dentist. The equipment has been donated. The best examples are the rural dental clinics in Quebec. The supply houses in Montreal donated the chairs, lights and other equipment. The



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Department of National Defence has provided the dental kits for the summer.

That rural project in the Province of Quebec, unlike the Montreal City project, is very, very inexpensive indeed.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Mr. Chairman, I would like to take this occasion to pay a very special tribute to the Canadian Red Cross Society for the splendid assistance it has given the nursing profession throughout the years. This has been mentioned this morning, and I would like to mention it again in the field of nursing education, nursing services, public health nursing, bursaries, loans. I don't believe there is any phase of nursing that has not been helped tremendously by the Red Cross Society, and I hope this will continue in the future.

For a more practical question, I would also like to know if there are any difficulties in maintaining the outpost clinics in the provinces? I am thinking now particularly of the Province of Quebec. I remember at the onset of the Hospital Insurance in the province we had some fears of losing the Red Cross outposts. Has this been arranged since?

DR. STANBURY: At the moment, Madam Commissioner, there are three outpost nursing stations being maintained by the Quebec Division. Those, as you know, have always been concentrated in the Magdalene Islands or the Gaspé Peninsula. Three are active at the present time. In the overall picture, 24 nursing stations, 8 in British Columbia, 6 in New Brunswick,



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7 in Ontario, 3 in Quebec, 2 in Saskatchewan as well as 17 outpost hospitals in Ontario, which continue to be operated by the Ontario Division at the request of the Ontario Hospital Services Commission.

But the hospitals, unlike the nursing stations, are completely financed by the Commission. There are difficulties from time to time in recruiting staff, but I think that we have been remarkably successful in this regard. The outpost hospitals, at the present time in Ontario, employ 56 registered nurses, and the nursing stations, 26 registered nurses. All the posts are filled at the present time.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: When you mentioned that the outposts have been assisted by the Government Hospital Commissions, they still retain their voluntary character, of voluntary agency, do they not?

DR. STANBURY: They do, Miss Girard. This is a service really, essentially, as far as the hospitals are concerned in Ontario, that is being continued by the Ontario Division. We have no cost with respect to that. There is a great deal of voluntary service in preparation of the supplies, and that type of thing, but fortunately, we have been relieved of a very major cost in the operation of hospitals in Ontario. This, presumably, is only a temporary measure, until the communities can take over the administration of the hospitals in their own communities.

On the other hand, with respect to the nursing stations, where the nurse is not necessarily



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4 tied to a bed, as it were, we are receiving financial
5 assistance from British Columbia and Saskatchewan only
6 in any great degree, and in Ontario and Quebec no
7 financial assistance from governments. That is entirely
8 supported by a small amount of fees, which is very
9 small indeed, and campaign the funds of the Red Cross
Society.

10 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: How difficult is
11 it to recruit nurses for outposts, or how easy?

12 DR. STANBURY: Miss MacArthur should
13 answer that question if she is here.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Miss MacArthur?

15 MISS MacARTHUR: Mr. Chairman, it is as
16 difficult as to recruit in many areas, because there
17 are just not enough nurses to go round, but we have
18 been very fortunate in Canada in having nurses who wish
19 to do pioneer work. Those who like to go to the
20 frontiers of Canada go, and stay with us. So, on the
21 one hand we have a great strength; on the other hand,
22 we have the problem of competing with other parts of
23 the country and also of competing with salary levels,
24 which are not always possible in the structure of
25 voluntary agencies, such as industry.

26 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Thank you very
27 much, Miss MacArthur.

28 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Bruce,
29 Dr. Stanbury and gentlemen, if I may come back to
30 Recommendation No. 8 on page VI, dealing with dental
clinics. You say, and I quote:

"We recommend that municipal and



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now assume this responsibility."

I gather you are most active in the
Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. My question is, have
you approached these provincial governments to take on
this responsibility, and if you have, what answer have
you received?

DR. STANBURY: Yes, Mr. Chairman, this
matter has been kept before the provincial authorities
constantly and there has been some progress made, as
I indicated, in respect to the clinics in the City of
Montreal, but as far as I know very little or nothing
as far as the Province of Ontario is concerned.



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4 As we say in paragraph 302 and in
5 Chapter VII, we feel that the need has been amply
6 demonstrated and the method of handling these indigent
7 cases which are living remote, the method has been
8 established and could be carried on by the official
9 authorities.

10 DR. PHAIR: Speaking for the Province
11 of Ontario, the provincial authority, health authority,
12 has operated for about 15 years cars, two of them, one
13 in the northern part, extremely north, and one on the
14 Canadian National and one on the C.P.R. The one in
15 northern Ontario covers a bit of both. The railway
16 companies are most co-operative in trying to meet the
17 need for dental care, which originally was limited
18 to children; they even have had on occasion maintained
19 the coach.

20 The dentist and his associate, if
21 the associate is a female, she is his wife. You can
22 understand in a project of this kind an enormous amount
23 of time and effort is expended on the clerical aspects
24 of it. So there are usually a young dentist and his
25 wife. They have been operated by a dentist alone. They
26 have on occasion -- and I don't think the occasions are
27 rare, ever rare -- have dental emergency in the area
28 in which they are operating. I think everyone here
29 is appreciative of the fact that expansion of state
30 intervention in dentistry is as much a concern to
organized dentistry as expansion in the medical field
is to organized medicine. These are operated by
salaried individuals and difficult, naturally, to provide



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4 staff all the time. But the program has been well-
5 accepted; they run along the railroad lines and stop
6 at crossroads and they run on schedule. It has been
7 a state-operated project for which I don't think there
8 is too much in the way of a similar character anywhere.

9 I might add here, Mr. Chairman, that
10 a project in the field of community dental service,
11 particularly directed children, was operated for some
12 five years in the Province of Newfoundland -- four years
13 to be exact -- and ultimately taken over, as the result
14 of the Red Cross, by the Province.

15 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Did I under-
16 stand you correctly, and if I didn't please correct me,
17 that if this project of providing dental care for the
18 needy in outlying areas were taken over by the provincial
19 government from the Red Cross which operates it at the
20 present time there might be objections to such a take-
21 over from the dental profession?

22 THE CHAIRMAN: I think Dr. Phair told
23 us that the province was now administering the service.

24 DR. STANBURY: There are two services.
25 That is the confusion, I think.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: Because this railway
27 service you are speaking of is a provincial service
28 now?

29 DR. PHAIR: Yes. The service in
30 Temiskaming, northern Ontario, where a dentist was
situated.

THE CHAIRMAN: It was whether there was
any philosophic objection being forthcoming.



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3 DR. STANBURY: Of course, in Ontario
4 this is operated under the Dental Committee and the
5 ground rules are fairly well laid out to avoid any
6 criticism from organized dentistry. These mobile
7 coaches are not supposed to be operated within the radius
8 of 15 miles of a resident dentist. This matter is
9 reviewed constantly by the dental committee which
10 represents the dental profession.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: We would
12 therefore not expect any objections from the dental
13 profession if the recommendation you have made in
14 paragraph 8 were implemented, which is provincial and
15 municipal departments of health carrying it out?

16 DR. STANBURY: Not in respect to those
17 travelling clinics, as long as the ground rules are
18 observed.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What are the
20 reasons as to why the Ontario Government and the Government
21 of the Province of Quebec have not as yet taken over this
22 program and are relying on the Red Cross to continue
23 to operate when you feel the time has come when they
24 should take it over?

25 DR. STANBURY: I think Dr. Phair
26 might answer that.

27 DR. PHAIR: Actually the provincial
28 Department of Health in the Province of Ontario did
29 operate a summer service comparable to what is now
30 presently being operated by the Red Cross Society in the
areas which were not included in those served by the
railway coaches and backed out of it for one reason and



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3 only reason really, and that was we couldn't get staff
4 to operate. They were operated during four months of
5 the year, and even the young dentist, recent graduate,
6 is not interested in spending four or five years in
7 this kind of service. It is primarily a matter of
8 recruitment of staff and for which we, the Department
9 of Health at that time discontinued, that is operating
10 in a motor-driven vehicle.

11 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: If these
12 vehicles came within 15 miles of a dentist, would there
13 be sufficient work to retain a dentist in these out-posts?

14 DR. PHAIR: For the time being, for
15 the initial, perhaps, one or two years, the answer would
16 be yes. But you can appreciate that the cost spread
17 over a large area, at least the service spread over such
18 a large area, in order to meet the ground rules, as
19 Dr. Stanbury called them, it became prohibitive in terms
20 of the provincial Department of Health.

21 MR. SHAW: I wonder if I might try
22 it. I think what Commissioner Firestone was getting at,
23 have we asked the Government, do we know why they haven't
24 produced some money? I think you and Dr. Phair, Dr.
25 Firestone, have something in common. Dr. Phair is
26 talking from intimate knowledge, because he was Deputy
27 Minister of Health for the Province of Ontario, and he
28 comes to us with that experience to help us in the many
29 other things he does for the Red Cross. You keep
30 hammering away and eventually these things are done,
but why they are not done as soon as we ask them is
something we don't have any answers on.



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4 Usually these things are well-
5 documented, but the existing policy may stand in the
6 way of acceding, if you like, to the suggestion we
7 make along the way.

8 We carry on these pilot projects in
9 the hope that they will cease to be pilot projects, that
10 somebody will take them over and we move into other
11 things. For that reason we wouldn't want continuing
12 government help because we would become part of it.

13 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You have
14 a very sound principle: You develop a service, the
15 need has been substantiated, the method has been proven,
16 you then go to the government and ask them to take it
17 over. But if you can't get the principle to work, if
18 you are asking the government to take something over
19 which is beyond the powers of the government, the
20 question is: Why is this thing not being taken over?

21 MR. SHAW: Perhaps I could draw a bit
22 of an analogy here. When we were in the out-post
23 hospitals field in a big way the theory there was we
24 would establish a hospital in the community until the
25 community has developed to a degree that they could
26 take it over and we would turn over the plant and say
27 there is everything, it is yours, run it. Now, that
28 did happen at various speeds in varying parts of the
29 country. But when we had provincial health insurance
30 schemes come along and when hospital deficits became
no longer the thing that prevented this taking place,
we handed over hospitals in the community except in the
areas where we were asked to continue, except at no cost,



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In these pilot projects we cannot determine the time when we step away from them. We continue and we hope that when the time is appropriate for someone to take them off our hands they will do so, but you can't put a time-table on it.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: There was one point and that was the problem of staffing by provincial governments. Now, if the Red Cross is able to obtain people for such a program, why not the provincial government?

MR. SHAW: The provincial government has succeeded in getting staff to run these two coaches; they are running. Perhaps we are fortunate in that, as stated by the Director of our Nursing Services, there is an attraction in working for a Society like the Red Cross that sometimes governments are not able to offer.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you very much, Mr. Shaw.

May I now turn to paragraph 610 and following paragraphs on page 190 in which you give us the results of a school meal study which has been undertaken by the Red Cross over a period of two years and which has turned out to be a monumental piece of survey and research work. I am just wondering, sir, whether you and your associates may offer some advice as the result of this school meal study that you have undertaken. Would you say that there would be some merit in developing a program for school children of providing (a) milk at school, (b) orange juice and



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3 (c) vitamins?

4 MR. STANBURY: Mr. Chairman, I think
5 the school meal study is an excellent example where
6 you get a negative result to what has been anticipated.
7 Prior to the Society undertaking the school meal study
8 under the directorship of the late Dr. Tisdale in 1946,
9 it was generally believe that the school meal had great
10 merit. As Dr. Tisdale pointed out at that time, in
11 the United States they were spending as much as
12 \$93 million annually to provide school luncheons, in
13 Great Britain something in a similar neighbourhood.

14 Now, what Dr. Tisdale and his group
15 have definitely established is that the school meal is
16 of limited value when you have a controlled group. It
17 is suprising perhaps that both the United States and
18 United Kingdom expended these vast sums on a school
19 luncheon program without undertaking a study to see if
20 it has any value. The value is negligible, if it has
21 any value at all, as Dr. Tisdale indicated. This school
22 meal study was published by the Society and, strangely
23 enough, many years after is still very much in demand by
24 universities and colleges from all over the world.
25 This is the first basic study of value on a particular
26 program. The fact that it has negative results is
27 equally important; it may have saved the treasury
28 millions of dollars.

29 THE CHAIRMAN: Is there a copy which
30 may be available to us?

DR. STANBURY: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Would you say,



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4 sir, based on this particular study, there was little
5 merit in your opinion of providing milk free to school
6 children, free orange juice and vitamins?

7 DR. STANBURY: Yes, I think so, sir.

8 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you
9 very much.
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4 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I have no
5 questions, but I do want to state that for me personally
6 and I am sure the members of the Commission there are
7 two very positive statements that certainly have helped
8 us a good deal in relation to these two matters and they
9 have come up frequently in our discussions across the
10 country. I should like to requote again the comments
11 I refer to:

12 "Governments will never be able to
13 cover the whole field of public health, nor
14 is it desirable that they should do so."

15 We have faced that sort of question
16 several times and you gave us a very positive answer.

17 I am also very grateful to you for
18 helping me out in my own thinking in respect to you say:

19 "...we recommend that the statutory
20 authorities use every means to keep before
21 the public the desirability of continued and
22 increased financial support of Red Cross work."

23 Perhaps as the last question, what is
24 the likelihood of your being able to make or very success-
25 fully operate such as you have demonstrated over the years
26 in the future when perhaps your activities are a little
27 curtailed? What is the future in the way of making
28 voluntary contributions?

29 MR. SHAW: I wonder if Mr. Hull might
30 answer.

MR. HULL: It is not an easy question
to answer, but I would suggest there is always sufficient
in the programs of Red Cross to interest the voluntary



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donation from the public at large. We have proved this a good many times. We have gone from various programs to other programs, from blood transfusion to the swimming and water safety and so on. There are always new pilot projects which seem to capture the imagination of the public. We have our troubles in our campaign but basically I think the Red Cross will be supported by the public at large.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: A most encouraging statement.

MR. HULL: I may be out of order, but I would like to thank Miss Girard for the very kind remark she made about our nursing service, because we are very proud of it.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: I have no desire to turn this into a dental brief, but I am sure many of us are aware of the work done in the cleft palate and research treatment centre of the Hospital for Sick Children and Red Cross has given much towards this project. Do you see any possibility or is there any call for such in any other part of the Dominion? Is there any chance of such a project being established in other centres?

DR. STANBURY: There are several related projects as you will see at Page 85, Section 283. There is one that I presume you are referring to, the orthodontic clinic in connection with the cleft palate research unit. There is also under 285 an orthodontia for individual cases which has been quite successful and then 287, a dental survey and clinic for pre-school



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children. These, as the name of the chapter implies, are projects that are developed by our Provincial Divisions, the Junior Red Cross within our Provincial Divisions under the principles laid down by our Central Council on the Division of our Junior Red Cross Advisory Committee of which Dr. Phair is the chairman. This would be a matter, I would say, for discussion with the Provincial Division and the Junior Red Cross concerned. I think, generally speaking, when we as a Society are able to demonstrate the usefulness of a project then other funds should be made available. In this case funds were subsequently obtained from the Atkinson Charitable Foundation to develop the project even further than was envisaged when the Junior Red Cross stepped into the picture.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: There is one statement here in the consolidated schedule designating reserve funds and under designated funds it mentions replacement of hospital equipment, Ontario. What would be involved in that?

MR. SHAW: Mr. Martin could answer that one --- perhaps I have a partial answer.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: The third to last item from the bottom.

MR. SHAW: These, I am quite sure, relate to specific requests and that sort of thing which come to the Society with a specially designated purpose attached. It is not unusual for the Society at the branch level, the request may come to a branch where it is specifically designated that the funds must be used for a special purpose, it is not at all unusual, as a matter



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of fact, over the years many of the requests have been related to outpost hospitals and nursing stations and so on. Am I right about that?

MR. HULL: It is the Ontario Government. I do not know whether I can answer to your complete satisfaction, but it is Government funds from the Ontario Provincial Government which are given to Red Cross for the specific purpose of replacing certain equipment in the outpost hospitals; it is not funds from the public, it is a designated fund to that extent.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Shaw and gentlemen, it has been very nice having you here this morning. I would say again how grateful we are for the tremendous amount of work that went into the preparation of this brief which is, perhaps, in a way a history of the Red Cross in Canada. We may have been instrumental in getting you into motion to start and you finished with a very fine presentation this morning.

MR. SHAW: Thank you very much. Before we go, on behalf of our own group and a good many of our friends and supporters and many past officers of the Society who are in the seats behind us, I want to thank you and the Members of your Commission for the manner in which you have received us, for the understanding and the interest that you have shown and the understanding that you have displayed of what the Society has tried to do. We have to be so careful not to use the word "we" because it is too big for any of us. It has been a real pleasure to have this discussion with you, and we can only reiterate that we do hope that this submission will



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prove useful to you; it cannot begin to be as useful to you as it is going to be to the Society as a whole.

Thank you very much.

THE CHAIRMAN: We will take a few minutes recess now.

---Short Recess.



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THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the next submission is that of the College of Physicians and Surgeons. It will be known as Exhibit 298. Dr. Hannah will present the submission.

---EXHIBIT NO. 298: Submission of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario.

SUBMISSION OF THE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

AND SURGEONS OF ONTARIO

Appearances: Dr. J.H. Hannah
Dr. J.C.C. Dawson

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Hannah?

DR. HANNAH: Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, it is with a great deal of pleasure that we take advantage of the opportunity of being of service to the Commission in any way we can. Our submission is as a result of consideration by a Committee and as such, represents a composite opinion. We have tried to confine ourselves to those areas in which the College has a vital interest. With your permission, sir, I would like to introduce Dr. Dawson, the Registrar-Treasurer of the College. I am President of the College.

I presume that it will be in order for me to read the conclusions and recommendations.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1) The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario as established in 1866 has played and is continuing to play an important function in maintaining a high quality of medical care and ethics



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among the profession and is protecting the public in Ontario against improper or inadequate medical care.

The College recommends that health matters remain under provincial jurisdiction and that the present functions of the College be continued and, that in co-operation with the provincial legislature, the problem of licensing to practise the healing art be studied as required with a view to assuring that those permitted to practise any part of health or medical care shall have at all times such basic training as will assure their ability to recognize their own limitations and that they possess adequate knowledge to deal competently with any emergency or threat to life which may arise out of any responsibility they may undertake.

2) Since the start of the increased immigration following World War II, a satisfactory doctor-patient ratio has depended upon admitting to practise in Ontario those immigrant doctors who have had suitable training. Diminishing numbers of graduates from countries with medical schools of equal standards to those of Ontario, and the increasing numbers seeking to register from schools of lower standards, is causing the College some concern in regard to maintaining high standards. If the quality of health and medical care in Ontario is to be maintained, it is essential that an immediate start be made toward securing and providing training for at least seventy-five (75) more medical graduates from Ontario medical colleges each year. Attracting an adequate supply of suitable applicants



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for these requirements will require not only necessary facilities and financial assistance to all parties concerned, but will depend upon the prospects for satisfactory conditions under which practice may be carried on after graduation. The cause of the exodus of doctors from the United Kingdom should be carefully considered and repetition of such cause avoided in Canada.

The College recommends that the problem of providing and maintaining an adequate supply of medical students and doctors be carefully considered with the Association of Canadian Medical Colleges and the licensing bodies of all the provinces, and that financial support for these and research needs be a primary consideration and be recommended as a priority by this Royal Commission.

3) From 15 to 20 percent of doctors emigrate from Ontario immediately following graduation. This loss fluctuates with economic conditions and prospects in Canada as compared with those in the U.S.A. Every effort, short of compulsion, should be made to keep our graduates in Canada. However, monetary inducements alone will not suffice to stem this flow. Freedom to exercise individual ability as well as assurance of a reasonable standard of living are essential. Any suggestion of outside control over practice will accelerate such an exodus.

The College therefore recommends that this Royal Commission give due consideration to all the various factors which have produced in Canada its full



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share of top-ranking personalities in the health and medical care field so that we shall not exchange a progressive situation for one which has not been without an equal or greater number of more serious problems and, as in the United Kingdom, multiply costs without a corresponding increase in quality of service.

In order to encourage as many as possible university graduates to stay and become established in Canada, the College recommends that they be granted a period of at least five years free of income tax following graduation, after which they be charged an increasing ratio of normal income tax so that they shall reach the ratio normally applicable to their income by the end of the eighth year after graduation.

The College has a fairly extensive statistical analysis of its membership which give certain information regarding the distribution and classification of doctors in relation to population and geography in Ontario. This did not become available in time for proper study. However, as soon as this has been done, and if it discloses pertinent information, the College is prepared to submit a supplementary brief.

It has been a pleasure for the College of Physicians and Surgeons on Ontario to contribute to the best of our ability to the studies of the Royal Commission on Health Services. It is hoped that if this College can be of further assistance, the Commission will accept that it will be a pleasure and a privilege to continue our co-operation.



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THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Dr. Hannah. Just by way of explanation, on page 22, your paragraph 3) says 15 to 20% of doctors emigrate from Ontario immediately following graduation. Emigrate might connote going to another country, but do you include in this going to another province as well?

DR. HANNAH: No, it is to the United States only. I mean, there are others that do emigrate to various provinces, but we get exchange from other provinces. As a matter of fact, in the last few years, we have been on the beneficial end of that exchange.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I am just wondering whether that 15 to 20% includes also men who have graduated at the Canadian medical schools who are U.S. citizens returning to the United States.

DR. HANNAH: I think it does. It is a very small, relatively small, number.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: On page 14, you state 15% to 20% of our graduates leave Ontario for the United States. Does that mean recent graduates only as in your summary statement or does that include all graduates of our medical schools?

DR. HANNAH: This figure is a very difficult one to determine. One sees statements about emigration of various people and various classes of people to the United States and there doesn't seem to be any too great consistency in the figures that are eventually published. You may recall there was such a study appeared in the Financial Post recently, but it did not break down the healing arts into their different



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sections in which they belong. We have to say that roughly 15 to 20% of our graduates, at one time or another, leave Canada and settle in the United States and do not return to us. Included in that will be people who came to Canada from the United States to attend a college.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: I was going to ask that question ultimately: about how many do you have from the United States attending your Ontario medical schools?

DR. HANNAH: I don't think we can answer that at the present time. 5%?

DR. DAWSON: The only figure I could give that would have any bearing would be the number of enabling certificates. We haven't got that figure available. It is a small number, roughly 3 to 5%.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Roughly 3 to 5%. Well now, of your students graduating, going over to take post-graduate work in the United States, have you any idea how many of them return to Canada to practise?

DR. DAWSON: This figure could probably be obtained for later submission, Mr. Chairman, but we haven't got it at the present time. It is quite a lot of digging.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Would it be 5%?

DR. DAWSON: That go over and return?

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Of your graduates.

THE CHAIRMAN: That go over and remain was the question.



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DR. HANNAH: The ratio that go over and remain would be much higher.

THE CHAIRMAN: I don't know what 5% is, 5% of those go over, 5% of total graduates or 5% of what?

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: The figure of 15 to 20% of the total number of graduates, that is what I am trying to break down.

DR. HANNAH: I think I might answer that question more intelligently this way: a number of those who go over for post-graduate work do return. It isn't as many as we would like, but to say exactly what it is we couldn't say at the moment.

We at the College have just this year put our statistics on I.B.M. equipment and that is the reason I indicated we have these tables, but it was only put on last year and we got these tables about three weeks after we finished our brief and we weren't able to study them satisfactorily and there are other factors we will have to get with them.

Even now, we may be able to give a better answer, a more specific answer to your question on percentage than we were when we made our brief.

DR. DAWSON: Mr. Chairman, the College does not keep a tracer on the graduates unless they register with the College upon passing their medical examinations and these graduates of Ontario medical schools who go outside the country for their post-graduate training or other purposes and subsequently return to Canada, we would have no way to tell from the ones that went to other provinces. We have no estimate of this



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figure at all. We have no tracer.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Have you any figures to show how many graduates who have been in practice, say five, six, seven or eight years in the Province emigrate to the United States?

DR. DAWSON: No.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: I asked that question bearing on a suggestion made in Page 23, regarding the income tax. You make a suggestion that for five years they be exempt from income tax, and then the next three years gradually increase the amount of income tax so that they get to the normal level at eight years. Maybe this might not be an inducement for them to stay five years, and then pull out and defeat your purpose. I wondered if you had much of an emigration after five years at the present time?

DR. HANNAH: The best answer I can give you in regard to this is something I ran into as chairman of a committee that had to do with the compiling of a published register for the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Ontario, and this covers a period of all time, and does not give any suggestion as to when these people went to the United States, but there was something over 2,000 on our register who lived outside of Ontario, and there is still that number that retain the registration in Ontario, but live elsewhere. Now, whether they are practising there or not, I don't know.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Hannah, the help that you can give us lies primarily, as you said, in your field as the governing body of the profession. I think we can start off with the proposition where you say that



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you recommend that health matters remain under Provincial jurisdiction. I suppose that is about the easiest wish you might ask for, and that you know that you will be granted, because I imagine that it would take a revolution to change that, but in this question of licensure, the College of Physicians and Surgeons is the agency of Government for that purpose?

DR. HANNAH: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: And as I understand it, in Ontario you concern yourself with that as one of your primary functions, the qualification and the admission of doctors to practice?

DR. HANNAH: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: And then I suppose the next one is the quality of medicine in Ontario, insofar as the conduct of the profession is concerned?

DR. HANNAH: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: And I want to take you into a field that you may think is controversial, but I think it is one of those fields, it is one of those topics that must be discussed openly at this time, and that is the status, the future of the groups such as chiropractors, and others, the podiatrists, the optometrists, and when you go into dentistry, the denturists, and in nursing we hear of a secondary category. This whole group, now, so far as the College of Physicians and Surgeons is concerned, basically are these people regarded as being members of the healing art?

DR. HANNAH: Basically we regard them as being practising in the field of the healing art. As



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you say, this is a live question, open to controversy,
and I think-----

THE CHAIRMAN: To controversy and
discussion.

DR. HANNAH: And discussion.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

DR. HANNAH: I think I tried to deal
with that in the body of the brief, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, I know. It is
because you have dealt with it that I am opening the
question now in this way.

DR. HANNAH: Over the years there has
developed various cults within the healing art, and when
the College was established there were special cults
within the profession itself, for which provision was
made for representation on the Council of the College.
The homeopaths.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well now, the osteopaths
is another one that I didn't mention.

DR. HANNAH: At the present time we
have been carrying on discussions through committees with
the osteopaths, and it is my concept, rightly or wrongly,
and from what I can gather of the history of the develop-
ment of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, it was
established in the hopes that it might constitute in the
early days the arm of Government through which the
standards for the entry into practice in the healing art
might be obtained.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you mean now entry
into, not only the medical profession, but others?



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DR. HANNAH: Well, I think it was the hope that it would relieve the Government of the necessity of having to deal with these bodies piece-meal in the form of special legislation for each particular group. This, however, is not the circumstances which have developed over the years. Unfortunately, somehow or other the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and I think we must remember that at that time there were not the well-organized, or well-coordinated groups that we have at the present time, and perhaps in the minds of the legislature at that time they thought that the only thing they had to be concerned with was the medical profession.

More recently we have been faced with the problem of how can we maintain a high standard of quality in everybody who goes into the field of practising the healing art. Of course, as occurs in every piece of restrictive legislation, those who are restricted object, and of course, they get their following.

If you go back in the history of osteopathy for instance, I recall even in my short lifetime the total antipathy that there was between the medical profession and the osteopaths. Now, I am not suggesting that it has all gone, but in recent years there has been an application on the part of the osteopaths to become part of the regularly registered profession in the United States, and we are faced with that in Ontario at the present time, and we are studying the problem.

Now, out of this request in the United States, one osteopathic school in California has now been accepted as a medical college, and its graduates are given



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enabling certificates to write the same examinations as the graduates of other medical schools in California.

The other osteopathic schools in the United States, for one reason or another, either because the profession inspecting the college didn't feel they measured up to standard, or because they themselves didn't wish to become part of the medical profession as a whole, have remained out of the general registration of physicians.

Now, we in Ontario are giving consideration to the establishment of a system, or at least of collaborating with the profession across the line, in studying the osteopathic schools, to see whether or not they have reached a level in their basic science training and their clinical training which we feel will permit them to be admitted and registered, at least with restricted licence, and this has been discussed between the osteopaths and ourselves in the committee, but throughout the years osteopaths have gradually added to their training, their basic sciences, their anatomy, their physiology, and all the other factors.

I think at the present time they make the statement that if medical doctors could be permitted to teach on their staff, they would be able to turn out graduates of equal quality with the medical schools. Now, I don't think that is the concept of all the osteopathic schools by any means, but it shows you the trend of things.

Now, if we are discussing things frankly ----



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THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

DR. HANNAH: We must also give consideration to the chiropractors. We in the profession have no brief for any particular form of treatment, so long as it conforms with high standards.

Recently the College was asked, in response to a request or a suggestion by the Chairman of a Coroner's Committee, the suggestion was made that chiropractors should be trained sufficiently that they would be able to recognize the dangers inherent in certain situations.

THE CHAIRMAN: I suppose that situation was following an accident?

DR. HANNAH: Yes. Following that suggestion, we received a communication from the chiropractors' school here in Toronto that we should permit doctors to teach on their staff. We in turn wrote and asked them for their curriculum, the curriculum of their basic sciences, and what facilities they had for teaching these subjects. To date we have not had an answer from them. We had an answer, I am sorry, but the answer implied that they were re-organizing their curriculum, and as soon as it was ready we would have it.

DR. DAWSON: I believe the inquiry went to the Chiropractic College in January or February, and the reply came back.

DR. HANNAH: Now we feel, Mr. Chairman, that if such requirements are necessary, as is suggested in that recommendation, that the facilities are already in existence where these things and these studies may



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be carried on by anybody who wishes to go into the field of the healing art, there are medical schools, there are scientific schools in connection with the others, that teach these basic sciences; medical training is not necessarily all received in medical schools. I myself, for instance, took my chemistry in an arts faculty, and my physics the same way, and in the college where we were doing anatomy we had art students who were studying these subjects, and certainly my biology was taken with art students and in the arts school.



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4 So that these facilities are available
5 and it could be set up as a special thing in each of
6 these schools and they are being provided through our
7 educational system, and we think that if an individual
8 wants to practise a particular type of healing art,
9 that having gotten these basic things, then he will be
10 in a position that he will be able to be of much more
11 satisfaction both to himself and to his patient and
12 perhaps, indeed, be able to carry on the healing art
13 more satisfactorily.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: And in such an atmos-
15 here, who would be the licensing agent? Would you
16 suggest this would be the College of Physicians and
17 Surgeons, they would go back to that original concept
18 which you had of being the one body to license and
19 regulate?

20 DR. HANNAH: This would be the ideal
21 position. I think that with vested interest in art
22 at the present time that may not be the answer at the
23 moment. But I do feel, however, that there is a
24 necessity for a similar requirement, a standard equivalent
25 to, if you like, the standard that the medical profession
26 has to meet and that they voluntarily impose on themselves
27 or through such bodies as the College of Physicians and Surgeons

28 THE CHAIRMAN: You see, the position to us as laymen,
29 we have the chiropractors, we have the optometrists,
30 and so forth. They appear to have a considerable following
31 in the general public and they are making requests that
32 in any health services program provision be made for
33 their recognition so that they may continue to carry on



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4 that part of the healing art that they say they are
5 capable of doing, and it is a very practical problem to
6 this Commission as to just how and by what manner this
7 is to be accomplished, if it is to be accomplished, if
8 it is in the public interest it should be accomplished,
9 and that is why I put the question to you, because we,
10 as I say, appreciate your forthright views very much.
11 As a spokesman for the College of Physicians and Surgeons,
12 we look to you for help here.

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14 DR. DAWSON: Following your remarks,
15 Mr. Chairman, there are one or two points I would like
16 to express.

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18 First of all the College is charged,
19 as you are aware, with the administration of the Medical
20 Act, and only those can practise medicine, midwifery,
21 who are qualified under the section of the Act, and
22 chiropractors do not in any sense ---

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24 THE CHAIRMAN: At this moment, your
25 regulations, the regulations of the College of Physicians
26 and Surgeons, are they subject to approval by the
27 Lieutenant-Governor in Council?

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29 DR. DAWSON: Only one regulation is
30 subject to approval by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council,
and it is not pertinent to us here. This authority
is given to the College of Physicians and Surgeons under
the Medical Act.

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32 THE CHAIRMAN: In the one province
33 I am most familiar with the regulations are subject to
34 approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, not
35 only of the medical profession but of the legal profession



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3 and the others.

4 DR. DAWSON: The question of the
5 practice carried on by chiropractors, chiropractors by
6 their training in their four-year course are trained
7 to deal in the field of manipulation, and I believe it
8 is their concept that disease stems from pressures on
9 the vertebrae, the bony structure of the spine, and
10 that, I believe, is their concept. But chiropractors,
11 are not restricting themselves to this method of
12 treatment, nor are they capable of investigating illness.
13 Chiropractors are engaged in the practice of medicine
14 poorly trained, without adequate instruction in the
15 basic sciences, without the facilities or the staff
16 to carry this out. Now, if chiropractors would stick
17 to what they are licensed to do there would be no
18 conflict with the medical profession, I feel.

19 Now, this opinion you would have to
20 get from those in the clinical fields, because I am not
21 now practising in that capacity.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: This we are prepared to
23 accept as being the view of the College of Physicians
24 and Surgeons. I suppose the chiropractors will say:
25 "No, we are not doing that, we are acting wholly within
26 the law." Can you suggest any form or organization by
27 which this seeming conflict might be resolved, in the
28 public interest?

29 DR. DAWSON: It was dealt with on the
30 question of overall legislation with one body providing
the licensing. He didn't mention until recently there
was a small number of homeopaths in Ontario who were
licensed under the Medical Act by the College of Physicians



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3 and Surgeons. They had a representative on the council
4 of the College, and this was established by the Medical
5 Act.

6 Now, this could be handled in the
7 same manner by certain other groups who are practising
8 in the healing arts. I believe that matter has received
9 some study, but it hasn't got very far.

10 DR. HANNAH: The first requirements,
11 Mr. Chairman, for such a possibility in my opinion would
12 be that any chiropractor, osteopath, any other, would
13 require certain standards of basic sciences, and these
14 would be established, the same ---

15 THE CHAIRMAN: Who is going to fix
16 these standards? That is the question. Each profession,
17 actual or so-called, governs itself. For a health
18 service of the future, is that going to be good enough
19 or must we see some other structure that will see that
20 every branch of the healing art is properly qualified?

21 DR. HANNAH: We already do that, sir,
22 in our standards for entrance to university. We must
23 have what we call matriculation. Now, there may be
24 variations in the form of matriculation one takes, but
25 there is a standard and an equation of the standards in
26 various provinces which exists at the present time.
27 That is one of our big jobs in the College of Physicians
28 and Surgeons; we must equate a Grade XII in Saskatchewan
29 with a Grade XIII in Ontario, and the same in Quebec.

30 Now, it would seem to me that if we
have reached that standard, that standard equation,
entering into a higher educational field, it shouldn't



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4 be difficult to reach a similar standard. But I think
5 we should be aware of the fact that just as soon as we
6 do establish these things we are going to run into a
7 repetition of things that occurred in the past.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Somebody with something
9 new?

10 DR. HANNAH: Yes, somebody wants to
11 practise with less qualifications; he will go to a
12 Member of Parliament and he will have a following, and
13 unless we are strict enough and strong enough we will
14 have acquiescence. I think in Ontario there were 22
15 pieces of legislation for those working in the healing
16 arts and professions.

17 So it seems to me that even though
18 the matter of health is of great importance to everybody
19 concerned, we are not prepared to accept the close
20 standards that we apply to the matter of our entry into
21 other forms of higher education. This, I think, is
22 what is needed.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much,
24 Dr. Hannah.

25 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Dr. Hannah,
26 I would like to refer to the second paragraph on page
27 23, the subject of your recommendation of encouraging
28 as many as possible graduates entering the practice of
29 medicine, "they be granted a period of at least five
30 years free of income tax following graduation, after
which they be charged an increasing ratio of normal
income tax so that they will reach the ratio normally
applicable to their income by the end of the eighth year



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4 after graduation." I am just wondering whether you may
5 not feel as encouraging such a move might be, whether
6 this would not represent a certain amount of discrimina-
7 tion in favour of one professional group as against
8 other professional groups and that the introduction of
9 such a provision would create a precedent that
10 governments may have to face in the light of demands
11 coming from other groups for a similar concession?

12 DR. HANNAH: Mr. Chairman, may I point
13 out, Professor Firestone, that I have not confined, at
14 least the College has not confined the recommendation
15 to medical graduates. The term is "university graduates"
16 as a whole. So there would be no precedent because
17 it applies across the board in that respect, if that
18 is the suggestion. This suggestion and recommendation
19 arose out of the fact that we are losing from 15% to
20 20% of our graduates across the line. Now, it costs
21 somewhere in the neighbourhood, when you figure time
22 and everything else -- and it doesn't matter who pays
23 it, whether I pay it as an individual or a government
24 pays it -- it is costing Canada so much to educate me
25 as a doctor. Now, my time, if it is not employed
26 constructively in becoming a doctor or in the practice
27 of medicine, would be employed constructively elsewhere,
28 and so therefore in figuring the cost of education we
29 must consider the time, and so on. When it is realized
30 that it costs somewhere in the neighbourhood of \$25,000.00
to \$30,000.00 to educate and put a doctor in the field
of practice, maybe, or the same may apply to other
fields of university graduates, the loss of these people



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4 to a place where we are not going to reap the benefit
5 of their education and imagination and ability is a
6 matter of great extent and may even result in the long
7 run, with the provision of jobs here, that the loss
8 of income tax may not be a loss at all. It would
9 depend a little bit on the concepts, but it was our hope
10 in making this recommendation that we might stir up some
11 thought as to the loss that is occurring not only in
12 the medical field but in the whole field of university
graduates not staying in Canada.

13 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you
14 for answering that you have in mind all university
15 graduates. But if I may confine my question to medical
16 graduates for the moment, I am just wondering whether
17 this recommendation might not be achieved in some other
18 way. For example, one could have a system which would
19 permit an accelerated depreciation on equipment and
20 other capital expenditures associated with the opening
21 of a medical practice, which would then mean giving
22 the medical practitioner the possibility of charging
23 larger expenses against his income and reducing his
24 income tax liability for two years. Another possibility
25 would be a deferment of income tax, either in whole or
26 in part, to a later period so the doctor would be left
27 with a greater net income but he would have the
28 opportunity of paying these income taxes at a later
29 date when his gross income is much larger.
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4 I am raising these questions because
5 either of these alternative methods would really not
6 mean a loss of tax revenue to the state but it will mean
7 a deferment of income tax and help the medical
8 practitioner at the time when that help is most needed.

9 DR. HANNAH: I think in such a
10 consideration one must remember that it is not necessarily
11 a question of the immediate economic prospect that is
12 involved although both suggestions, the recommendation
13 that we have made and the one you have suggested, would
14 appear to be temporary arrangements. Both might permit
15 the individual some compensation for his extra long
16 time that he has to put in, particularly if he goes
17 into a specialty. However, there is an additional factor
18 of the long term economic inducement, not only that
19 but, as I have said so frequently, I do not like
20 discussing the economics of medical care as a separate
21 entity because I do not believe it can be separated
22 from the other factors. There are very few prospects
23 of ever becoming really wealthy within the practice of
24 medicine; one might have a comfortable living, that is,
25 in the sense of social standing but a great many of
26 them do not have a comfortable living in the sense of
27 being able to stay in bed all night, et cetera. The
28 conditions under which people entering the medical
29 profession get their satisfactions are a little different
30 from those which actuate people into other professions.
There are others who may get the same incentive but
the peculiar rewards of the medical profession are more
apparent and more real to the individual who enters
medicine for the sake of medicine. He does not go in



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4 with the concept that he is going to get rich but he
5 goes in because he has a peculiar liking for the type
6 of reward that he gets. You find the same in the
7 nursing profession, et cetera. The two types of people
8 are not always suited for each other's type of vocation
9 so one must give due consideration to the long term
10 satisfactions, not only economically but to the whole
11 picture.

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13 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Those are
14 very thoughtful comments that you have made. Thank
15 you very much.

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17 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Just one other
18 point; on page 22 in the first paragraph you state:

19 "The cause of the exodus of doctors
20 "from the United Kingdom should be
21 "carefully considered and repetition
22 "of such cause avoided in Canada."

23 On page 17 you elaborate quite
24 extensively on the national health services in the
25 United Kingdom and you give that as a cause for the
26 shortage of doctors practising in the United Kingdom.
27 No consideration has been given to the curtailment of
28 the quota of students entering the medical school shortly
29 after the war which is considered fundamentally the
30 cause of the shortage of doctors in the United Kingdom
at the present time. There is no mention of that
factor, you just leave it with the idea it is up to the
National Health Services plan entirely.

DR. HANNAH: Well, Mr. Chairman, I
agree that the restriction of entering into the medical



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4 schools following the war could well have had something
5 to do with the present day shortage of doctors in Great
6 Britain. However, it does not account for the exodus
7 of 220 doctors each year during the past ten to twelve
8 years to Canada alone. The suggestion as contained
9 in certain reports both -- I should not say "reports"
10 in the sense of it being a study but in discussions of
11 the matter of both lay and medical men in Great Britain
12 it would seem to indicate, and in discussion with those
13 who come to Canada, the certain limitations on the
14 satisfactions of life under the National Health plan
15 has been a very prominent factor in those doctors to
16 leave and come to Canada. I discussed this matter with
17 physicians at other places and this has been along with
18 certain benefits that have accrued from the National
19 Health plan have been cited as a very bad situation
20 in contributing very seriously to young men of promise
21 who forego entering into the medical profession as
22 compared with some other fields.

23 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Would you
24 expect then the fall-off in the number of doctors
25 coming from the United Kingdom at the present time it
26 would happen, under the explanation you have given, the
27 exodus should continue.

28 DR. HANNAH: It could but insofar as
29 we in Ontario are concerned I believe the important
30 immediate factor as far as we are concerned in relation
to this report will be found in the table that we put
on page 11. On that table it shows the number of
doctors who become licensed with their country of origin



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4 and from 1945 up until 1961 and the table generally
5 follows a fairly consistent pattern of the diminution
6 of the ratio of doctors of Canadian origin registering
7 in Ontario as compared with the country of origin, the
8 doctors registering from other countries of origin.
9 It is interesting to follow those through and note,
10 without going through the whole thing, but in the first
11 column the Canadian graduates dropped from 98.2% in
12 1945 to 72% in 1961 and went as low as 52.1% in 1958.

12 In the next column we see the
13 registration from the Anglo-Saxon countries, England,
14 the United States, Australia, et cetera. And now, over
15 a period of time it increased from 1.4% in 1945 until
16 in 1961 it was 11.9% and reached a peak of 27.8% in 1958
17 so that there was a gradual increase. However, there
18 is a gradual falling off. Whether or not this falling
19 off will be continued is hard to say but if it does
20 continue it gives rise to a serious problem in Canada
21 because if you go over to the third column it represents
22 the graduate from the universities in the United States,
23 we can leave that out for all practical purposes because
24 it is only 7% of the total but if you go over to the
25 fourth column we find that the numbers registering from
26 other countries, non-Anglo-Saxon countries, rose from
27 .4% in 1945 to 13.6% in 1961. This is all to the good
28 for those people who have the quality of training that
29 meets our requirements and our standards but unfortunately
30 there are a large number of schools where we run into
difficulty with the graduates from those schools because
they have not got the basic training that warrants our



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consideration for registration in Ontario but, indeed, in Canada, in my opinion.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: What year did you have the Hungarian influx?

DR. HANNAH: 1956-57-58, I think in that period.

DR. DAWSON: That was reflected in the next two years by the time they met their intern requirements.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: This probably would show in the figures 1958-59.

DR. HANNAH: There appears to be a diminution in the number of people we can expect to make entry in the near future with the result if we are to maintain the physician-population ratio that is necessary for the higher quality of medical care we in Ontario must graduate, in our opinion, something in the neighbourhood of 70 to 75 doctors a year more than we are doing at the present time. This is for Ontario, not for Canada as a whole but Ontario as a whole and the rest of Canada will have to do similar things if they are to maintain that ratio. I know there is this interchange of graduates, we send some out west and some of the western ones come here but this is a problem we are faced with here. I think this is going to become an acute problem and how to solve this is quite a serious problem and that is the reason for our recommendation that this matter be taken up with the deans of the various medical schools in Canada and the licensing body of the provincial governments with a view to seeing

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THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Dr. Hannah. I am very grateful to you for this discussion and for your frankness in presenting your view.

DR. HANNA: Thank you very much, it has been a pleasure.



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DR. HAWAII: Thank you very much.
DR. HAWAII: I am very grateful to you for this discussion
and for your frankness in discussing your views.
DR. HAWAII: Thank you very much, it
has been a pleasure.



THE SECRETARY: The next submission is that of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society known as Exhibit 299. Dr. Kelly will introduce his group.

S U B M I S S I O N O F
THE CANADIAN CARDIOVASCULAR SOCIETY

---EXHIBIT NO. 299: Submission of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society.

APPEARANCES:

DR. D. WILSON
DR. H.G. KELLY
DR. R.W. GUNTON
DR. J. KEITH

DR. KELLY: Would I be in order to introduce my colleagues: Dr. John Keith, Dr. R. Gunton and Dr. Donald Wilson. I should like to express regrets of the President of the Society Dr. W. Ford Connell who was unable to be here today because of illness.

Sir, the Canadian Cardiovascular Society which used to be known as the Canadian Heart Association is a voluntary organization and has a membership of about 300 doctors, practitioners, medical specialists, surgeons, teachers, researchers, doctors who have a common interest in the prevention and treatment of heart disease, which as the Commission knows, kills more Canadians than all other diseases combined.

It has prepared a short brief which in some respects duplicates the more extensive brief which



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the Commissioners heard from the Canadian Heart Foundation. It makes some points which will be made in more detail later by the brief of the Canadian Society for Clinical Investigation.

It is recommending and it feels as a result of the diversity of interests and its membership that it is well versed to speak on these matters, it is recommending expanded support by Government for medical research in heart disease. It is recommending the inauguration of a support program for clinical training in cardiology as opposed to research training, for the inauguration of support programs for career investigators in cardiology and for inauguration and support for specialized cardiovascular units in major teaching hospitals.

These the Society feels are the important areas where there exists a deficiency with respect to the contribution of Government towards advancement in the field of heart disease. These comments are in the summary at the back page. There are these areas we support, and figures of cost programs, cost being inserted, which I should point out represents the total cost. They are not meant to be figures that indicate Government should pay for all of this. These are figures which estimate what the country can absorb, how much money the medical schools, teaching hospitals, research institutes can absorb and use wisely and efficiently in this time, within the next few years. In every instance it naturally represents an increase over what money is available at the present time, both from Government and from private organizations that are raising funds from the



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public. These figures do not represent any increase over money being presently spent and the Society is not suggesting the Government should be paying for all this. With those points I think we would now be prepared to answer any questions which you might care to put to us.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much for that explanation. It opens up the subject very nicely. Dr. Firestone.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I may follow up with these figures you were good enough to present as a desirable program of medical education, medical research and research laboratories in your specialized field. You are suggesting annual requirements in the initial period of \$5.8 million. Sir, what are the comparable figures of expenditures now being made in these three areas in Canada?

DR. KELLY: This would be around \$4,000,000.00 or slightly less from all agencies of Government and from private sources, particularly the Heart Foundation, sir.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: This \$4,000,000.00, could you tell us what amount the Federal Government contributes to that amount of \$4,000,000.00, or close to \$4,000,000.00?

DR. KELLY: The Heart Foundation are contributing approximately \$1,000,000.00 toward medical research at the present time and almost all of the balance is coming from Government, from the various agencies, from the Research Council principally, the National Health and Welfare to a considerable extent,



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... various bodies, and also to a considerable extent,



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and then the Defence Research Board to a considerably smaller extent.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I understand you correctly, sir, we face at the present time a total budget close to \$4,000,000.00; \$3,000,000.00 from the Federal Government and \$1,000,000.00 from other sources. These figures are approximate?

DR. KELLY: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: To visualize your program of \$5.8 million would you expect the Federal Government contribution be raised proportionately to the present division between the Federal Government and other sources, because if you do the figures would work out roughly to \$4.5 million from the Federal Government and \$1.3 million from other sources.

DR. KELLY: Well, Dr. Firestone, what seems to be happening in the last couple of years is that the amount of money that is being requested for medical research is increasing at quite a sharp rate, a slope, a rate of climb faster, really, than the voluntary agencies are able to raise it, so that there is a feeling in the Society that Government should perhaps --- the contribution from Government should increase proportionately more, at least, for a period of time until supply catches up with demand. Dr. Wilson could speak with regard to the experience of the Ontario Heart Foundation in the last couple of years on this matter.

DR. WILSON: I would just reinforce what Dr. Kelly said. The Medical Committee of the Ontario Heart Foundation, their demands or requests for funds



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have increased over \$200,000.00 over the past year as opposed to \$150,000.00 for the year before, so that the demands are increasing each year and our budget demands over the past six or seven years have gone from \$100,000.00 to \$920,000.00 in the Province of Ontario.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I understand you correctly, gentlemen, your suggestion would be this \$5.8 million which is the Canadian national total would be made up, perhaps, again to the extent of \$1,000,000.00 or so from other sources and about \$4.8 million from the Federal Government to take account of the principles which you have enunciated, that the Federal Government contribute for a period a growing ratio. Am I correct in that understanding?

DR. KELLY: That is right.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Let us assume such increased grants are made available. Are there sufficient research personnel available to use the \$5.8 million efficiently and produce the sort of research of quality and type which you consider is required in the program?

DR. KELLY: Yes, sir. It is the view of the Society that this sum could be spent wisely and efficiently, not necessarily next year, but within the next three or four years with no waste. For instance, it is my understanding that the Medical Research Council this year, despite a substantially increased budget still had to turn down about --- I have the exact figure in here. The applications exceeded available funds by 80%, and the majority of these applications I am informed were sent in



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by qualified investigators who could be relied upon to use the funds wisely and effectively.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I am just wondering, just taking the point you made, Dr. Kelly, whether you would envisage the program developing in stages, perhaps, starting by raising the total amount available from \$4,000,000.00 to \$5,000,000.00 in the first year and then more the second and third and fourth and fifth year, and perhaps by the fifth year you might reach \$7,000,000.00, and the average would be \$5.8 million or \$6,000,000.00 over the five-year period. Is that what you have in mind rather than a single figure equal for every year?

DR. KELLY: That is right, sir.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: That is very helpful. I have one more question, sir. You suggest on Page 8 in the top paragraph there is a need, not only for more money, but also and I quote: "Greater flexibility in their administration", and you refer here to the administration of Federal Government grants, I take it. Could you elaborate what you mean by greater flexibility of administration?

DR. KELLY: Well, sir, there are all grades of investigators. There are the young fellows who are starting off who have research grants awarded on a year to year basis. These gentlemen must be held to a strict accounting for their expenditure of their funds. The more mature and the more senior investigators who are developing research laboratories and are training young men, fellows like Dr. Keith and Dr. Gunton, they have



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make the most accurate and effective.

Moreover, just taking the point you make, whether you could envisage the program developing in stages, perhaps, starting by raising the total amount available from \$5,000,000.00 to \$10,000,000.00 in the first year and then some the second and third and fourth and fifth year, and perhaps by the fifth year you might reach \$20,000,000.00 and the average would be \$8 million or \$10,000,000.00 over the five-year period. Is that what you have in mind rather than a single figure equal for every year?

Oh, I think that is right, sir.

CON. I think that is very helpful. I have one more question, sir. You say on page 8 in the paragraph there is a word, not only "more money," but also and I quoted "greater flexibility in their administration," and you refer me to the administration of Federal Government, I take it. Could you elaborate what you mean by greater flexibility in their administration?

Oh, well, sir, there are all

forms of flexibility. There are the forms of flexibility that we have in our own Government, and there are the forms of flexibility that we have in the Government of other countries. I am not sure that I have explained for their explanation of their own. The point here and the point is that we are not only interested in the forms of flexibility that we have in our own Government, but we are also interested in the forms of flexibility that we have in the Government of other countries. I am not sure that I have explained for their explanation of their own.



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funds coming year after year and there is much to be said for allowing senior men of proven stature a certain amount of autonomy in the distribution of their funds within the total amount that has been allotted. That is basically what that meant. It simplifies the operation of large research units to have that privilege rather than have to write someone for permission to spend \$100.00 or to change the type of apparatus they want to buy or to do something that was not foreseen at the time they made application. Perhaps Dr. Keith and Dr. Gunton might add something.

DR. KEITH: I would like to say you make your application in, say, September or October of 1961 for use in 1962 - 1963. By the time your grant is approved and you start to work on it, you have changed some of the facets of what you are going to do, inevitably, as your work proceeds. If you have, say, \$10,000.00 to spend on specifically what is listed, unless you can change the categories within that \$10,000.00 that really puts a strait-jacket on all your work and makes it difficult to carry out research work adequately.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Have you found in practice there exists such a strait-jacket?

DR. KEITH: Yes, so much so that granting bodies count on saving 10% of what they grant. They know right away they will save 10% of the grant, because people cannot spend it.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: They cannot spend it for the purpose listed in the application.

DR. KEITH: That is right.



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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: But they could
spent it...

DR. KEITH: On other things.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: On related
types of expenditures, is that what you mean, sir?

DR. KEITH: That is right.

DR. GUNTON: Another way in which
greater flexibility could work to advantage would be in
the grants having a duration greater than one year.



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Dr. KILL: In other words.

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10 cases grants should be made for longer periods of time
11 and I believe this is now being actually entertained
12 by the Department of National Health and Welfare, and
13 I think this would be an advantage, and in the area of
14 greater flexibility.

15 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: We have heard
16 before that you really want to promote a plan of
17 research for several years, instead of one, and I think
18 that makes a good deal of common sense, but to come
19 back to this question of strait-jacket terms of
20 making grants available; has your group made representa-
21 tions to the Department of National Health and Welfare
22 on this point, and if so, what answers did you receive?

23 DR. KEITH: We brought it up, I suppose,
24 regularly for 10 years or more, and they say this is
25 the way it must be done.

26 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What are the
27 reasons why it must be done that way?

28 DR. KEITH: I don't know if they have
29 set them out in great detail. It is just that they feel
30 that it is necessary in order to ensure that the
Canadian money that is being granted be spent with the
greatest care and supervision, that this is the safest
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Before that you really want to provide a plan of research for several years, instead of one, and I think that it takes a good deal of common sense, but to come back to this question of short-term versus long-term making grants available; has your group made proposals to the Department of National Health and Welfare on this subject, and if so, what answers did you receive?

DR. KUBIE: We brought it up, I suppose, regularly for 10 years or more, and they say this is the way it must be done.

COMMISSIONER: I think that the way it must be done is to have a long-term plan, and I don't know if they have that or not. It is just that they feel that it is necessary in order to secure that the money that is being wanted is spent with the greatest care and supervision, that this is the way to do it.



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Not only do they do this, but they have a chartered accountant come to the hospital from Ottawa at intervals and check that a certain piece of equipment has been bought, and it is on the books and they go and look at the piece of equipment. I think this is a good practice and I am not decrying it at all, but it shows you how careful they are that all the money is spent exactly as listed in the application.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: There is no objection to auditing. I think your objection is to what you call the strait-jacket approach with no allowance for discussion by the researchers. If discussion were allowed with the researchers, you would have no objection to the careful checking that is taking place, I take it?

DR. KEITH: No, none whatever. I suppose that they feel that being in Ottawa at some distance away, it is harder to keep control. In Ontario, in the Ontario Heart Foundation, which is closer to the research worker, it allows more flexibility in the grant money.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I hope you will be able to bring me up to date on some of these things. You and I probably realize that I should know what I am going to ask you, but I don't. Is the Canadian Heart Society associated now with the Canadian Cardiovascular Society, does it grant any scholarships at the present time?

DR. KEITH: No, it is not a granting body, the Canadian Cardiovascular Society.



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attendants at intervals and check that a certain piece of
equipment has been bought, and it is on the books and
they go and look at the piece of equipment. I think
this is a good practice and I am not denying it at
all, but it shows you how careful they are that all

the money is spent exactly as listed in the application.
COMMISSIONER RICHMOND: There is no

objection to auditing. I think your objection is to

what you call the "audit-jacket" approach with no

allowance for discretion by the researchers. If dispo-

sition were allowed with the researchers, you would have

no objection to the audit, I checking that is taking

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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: That being the case, all these figures here that you have listed on page 9, you are only endorsing and recommending, but it would not necessarily come under the Canadian Cardiovascular Society in the way of distribution?

DR. KEITH: The members of the Society are mainly the individuals who implement the plan of research in heart disease in Canada, and therefore that is why they have felt it wise to come here to present this material.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: So that actually the fiscal body would be the Canadian Heart Foundation?

DR. KEITH: Yes, or the provincial Heart Foundation or the Department of National Health in Ottawa or the M.R.C. or N.R.C. or D.R.B., wherever the money for heart research is coming from.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Dr. Kelly and your associates.

DR. KELLY: Thank you, sir.

--- Luncheon adjournment.



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the money for local research is coming from.

DR. WILKINSON: I am a scientist.

DR. WILKINSON: Thank you, sir.

--- I understand the argument.



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--- On resuming at 2 p.m.

THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the next submission is that of the Canadian Mental Health Association, Ontario Division, which will be known as Exhibit 300, and Mr. Perry will introduce the members of this group.

--- EXHIBIT NO. 300: Submission of the Canadian Mental Health Association, Ontario Division.

SUBMISSION OF THE CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH
ASSOCIATION, ONTARIO DIVISION.

Appearances: L.W. Perry
Dr. J.D. Atcheson
C.T. Rousell

MR. PERRY: Mr. Chairman, I am accompanied this afternoon by Dr. James D. Atcheson, Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Ontario Division, the Canadian Mental Health Association. Dr. Atcheson is also the Superintendent of Thistletown Hospital, an Associate in the Department of Psychiatry and lecturer at the School of Nursing, University of Toronto.

Mr. C.T. Rousell, M.S.W., is the Executive Director of the Ontario Division.

With your permission, sir, I intend to refer briefly to the preamble of our submission and then invite Dr. Atcheson to make submissions on our behalf.

May I specifically refer to paragraph 6, on page 3 of our submission and point out to you, sir, that the Ontario Division of the Canadian Mental Health



--- in morning at 10 a.m.

THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the next

item on the list of the Canadian Mental Health Association

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--- EXHIBIT 10: Submission of the Canadian Mental

Division.

SUBMISSION OF THE CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH

ASSOCIATION, ONTARIO DIVISION.

Addressed: Mr. Perry
Dr. J.D. Archibald
G.T. Rossell

MR. PERRY: Mr. Chairman, I am accom-

panied by the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Ontario
Division, the Canadian Mental Health Association. Dr.

Archibald is also the Superintendent of this hospital.

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and lecturer at the School of Nursing, University of

Mr. G.T. Rossell, M.C.W., is the Execu-

tive Director of the Ontario Division.

With your permission, sir, I intend to

present briefly to the committee of our association and to

invite you to make such a contribution on our behalf.

My presentation is related to the

work of our association and is related to the

work of the Ontario Division of the Canadian Mental Health



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3 Association has 19 Branches throughout Ontario and
4 presently consists of some 5,200 active members. It
5 is made up of citizens of Ontario who recognize the
6 tremendous need for public education related to mental
7 health, research, social rehabilitation of the mentally
8 ill and to improve facilities directed towards allevia-
9 ting the problems of mental illness. The sincerity of
10 this relatively small membership is well demonstrated by
11 the fact that some estimated 50,000 hours of volunteer
12 time was directed towards the problem of mental illness
13 by this group of citizens in the last year.

14 The Ontario Division considers it an
15 honour and a pleasure to make submissions to this
16 Commission. I now ask Dr. Atcheson to make those submis-
17 sions on our behalf.

18 DR. ATCHESON: Mr. Chairman, our
19 Association, in submitting this brief, felt that there
20 were four major areas for consideration in attempting
21 to build a better mental health program for Ontario.
22 Those were listed, first, under Co-ordination; second,
23 Research; third, Personnel and fourth, Education.

24 With your permission, what I would like
25 to do is to read the recommendations of our Association
26 submitted relative to each of those four headings.
27 These are summarized in our brief under Conclusions,
28 but I would like to enlarge on these conclusions, if I
29 may.

30 First, our recommendations with regard
to co-ordination.



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(24) 1. RECOMMENDATION: The Canadian Mental Health Association, Ontario Division, recommends that mental health programs should be operated by local or decentralized authority within a comprehensive provincial framework of regionally co-ordinated planning, funding and control of standards.

(25) 2. RECOMMENDATION: The Association wishes to point out the important part played in the prevention, recognition and management of mental illness by non-medical agencies, and recommends that religious, educational, welfare, legal and correctional bodies be included in all considerations of mental health programs, with continued specific efforts to increase communication and co-ordination of activities among them.

(26) 3. RECOMMENDATION: As an important initial step in implementing these recommendations, the Association urges that increased recognition and support be given to the indirect services of consultation, education, etcetera, which specialized mental health agencies are able to provide to other agencies. The process of providing such services tends in itself to bring about the increased communication and co-ordination which is needed.

(27) 4. RECOMMENDATION: To make co-ordination effective at all levels, the Association recommends that formal administrative provision be made for the participation of all interested groups in the planning and operation of services, by the establishment at local and regional levels of representative boards with operating authority. There should also be provision for



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(28) Research, 1965. RECOMMENDATION: Recognizing that SERVICE, TRAINING and RESEARCH are basic functions in all mental health programs, the Association would point out that the first cannot be carried out effectively unless the other two are adequately provided for. Concerning existing programs of staff procurement and training and of research and investigation in all the fields mentioned, the Association recommends that greater provision be made for co-ordination and inter-communication.

Under our second major heading on which we drew conclusions, that is on research, I would like, with your permission, to read the recommendations in this regard.

(32) 1. RECOMMENDATION: It is estimated that at present Canada spends one-quarter of one percent of its total health budget on research on mental illness and mental health (reference: CMA Journal, August 12, 1961). In the United States one percent of the health budget is so spent and it has been recommended that two percent of this budget would be appropriate. Acceptance of this rate of spending in Canada would mean an eight-fold increase. It would seem certain that it

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would require some time before this portion of the budget could be effectively spent on research on mental illness in Canada in view of the necessity of training or in other ways acquiring the necessary research personnel.

(33) 2. RECOMMENDATION: A substantial proportion of the total mental health funds available for research should be expended in the form of grants to individual research workers. To be most effective these grants should be for relatively long periods of time rather than subject to renewal on a year-to-year basis. In this regard, the Canadian Mental Health Association puts forward as an example its own National Mental Health Research Fund which makes grants to career research scientists for at least a number of years.

(34) 3. RECOMMENDATION: It is suggested that applications for grant funds and other administrative matters in connection with the promotion of research in the field of mental illness be dealt with in terms similar to those presently employed by the National Research Council.

(35) 4. RECOMMENDATION: Effective administration of grant funds will probably require the setting up of a special administrative group -- perhaps within the Department of National Health and Welfare, or perhaps within the National Research Council itself. At present, these funds are administered by a department that is primarily concerned with service responsibility which may account for the inflexibility in the terms of the grant and the apparent tendency to consider favourably



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only requests for training and research which have direct and immediate implications for service. We submit that this is far too narrow a concept of what is required for advance in our understanding of mental illness.

(36) 5. RECOMMENDATION: In addition to administering extra-mural grant requests, an agency such as the National Research Council might with good effect undertake its own intra-mural research program as it does not in a number of the other fields of science. Such an organization would have the advantage that interdisciplinary research among workers in the fields of neurology, biochemistry, physiology, psychiatry and psychology could be readily organized. Such a program does in fact operate and with apparent success within the National Institutes of Health in Washington.

(37) 6. RECOMMENDATION: It is suggested further that consideration be given to setting up research groups within service settings such as the Ontario Hospitals. At the present time the staff of these institutions are charged primarily with a service responsibility and inevitably this takes precedence over research. Our proposal is that there be research appointments to these staffs in the several disciplines, these individuals to have no service responsibilities whatsoever. Apart from the fact that they would have ready access to the material necessary in their research again the opportunity for interdisciplinary research would be provided.

(38) 7. RECOMMENDATION: With respect to



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personnel, it seems clear that there will be a continuing shortage of qualified people. In view of this, it is urged that careful attention be given to support of programs designed to train people for research as well as for service in the several disciplines concerned with mental health. We would note in this connection that research grants made to individuals in universities for basic animal research as well as for research with children and adults adds not only to our basic knowledge but provides opportunities for training graduate students who may ultimately be attracted into one of the mental health professions.

Under the third major heading of Personnel, I would like your permission to read the recommendations that are made.

(46) 1. RECOMMENDATION: In addition to recommendations elsewhere in this Brief regarding economies to be effected by better co-ordination of existing services, we actively support the more popular short-term measures now being advanced to provide the necessary mental health personnel.

(47) 2. RECOMMENDATION: Our Association further supports the view that the problem of personnel shortages demands a comprehensive, Province-wide study on a continuing basis carried out by an adequately representative Commission and that this "Manpower Commission" might well be a responsibility of the interdepartmental authority referred to specifically under "Co-ordination".

The fourth aspect of our presentation



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is that related to Education, and by this we are primarily referring to public education concerning the nature of the problem. The recommendations that are made under Education were:

(53) 1. RECOMMENDATION: The Association would strongly support the general principle of increased and improved information services to the public. To this end we support the view that there is a need for research into the effectiveness of our present methods of mass communication, in order to assist the positive changes they may create in the public's understanding of mental illness and its needs.

(54) 2. RECOMMENDATION: There is need for more inter-professional co-operation and technical and expert assistance in the preparation and dissemination of mental health education material.

These are the basic recommendations made by the provincial division of the Canadian Mental Health Association and are summarized under the four headings mentioned under conclusions in the brief submitted.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Dr. Atcheson. At the moment, Ontario, as in the other provinces, has full charge, full responsibility, for all mental health services and the financing of them, perhaps with the exception of some research grants.

Now, in connection with those grants, you refer to them at the foot of page 13, the top of page 14. Would you give us an example of just how this thing works, the system that you want changed in terms of your Recommendation No. 35.



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 the nature of the problem. The responsibility for
 the action is then placed on the individual.

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4 DR. ATCHESON: Without giving a
5 specific example I think I could give a generalization.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: Give me a set up
7 example if you like.

8 DR. ATCHESON: Research needs and
9 the building of a research can often not be predicted
10 within a few days or weeks or even months and to predict
11 the course of one's research for one year ahead and to
12 cut a deadline to be funded for this with the limitations
13 modifies ones approach in the period. You approach this
14 going into the work of research with a limitation that
15 often denies good research and the suggestion that is
16 being made is that funds of this sort be invested in
17 people, people called researchers, to give them the
18 full right to the terms of the application itself. In
19 other words, research beyond going to a person who is
20 going ahead with such a program for a long period of
21 time, investing in this person and the work rather than
22 in a specific project which is the way research grants
23 are awarded at the present time.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: With that in mind,
25 what suggestion have you to make to meet the situation
26 that arises from year to year in these early grants.
27 As you appreciate, these arise from the fact that monies
28 are voted by the legislature or by parliament from year
29 to year and not for a specific term, it is only a yearly
30 budget in the legislature and that is the only continuity
there is. One legislature does not necessarily do the
same as its predecessor. How are you going to overcome
the situation by this continuing of grants and bursaries
for research. This keeps recurring in the submissions

Dr. A. H. Smith: Without giving

specific example I think I could give a general illustration.

THE CHAIRMAN: Give me a few

examples if you like.

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5 DR. ATCHESON: Recognizing the limited
6 ability to predict a budget and how much funds will be
7 available in the fiscal year by a government I believe
8 the suggestion for what we are recommending is one of
9 a foundation in which funds can be held and the funds
10 can be meted out and it is not in any way connected with
11 a fiscal year.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: We have the Canada
13 Council of \$100 million voted in one year of which the
14 parliament vested itself of control of this money. Your
15 suggestion is that has to be done in these other fields
to get some continuity?

16 DR. ATCHESON: Somewhere in the terms
17 of reference with some specific change related to the
18 particular problem but in general terms related to the
19 type of operation, yes.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Now, recommendation 32,
21 you speak of the operation of the research budget spent
22 in Canada in terms of the proportion spent in the
23 United States; is this figure both provincial and
24 dominion or are you only talking about federal resources
in each case?

25 DR. ATCHESON: The implication is it
26 is a total fund available to a province a part of which
27 would be obtained by dominion grant and part of which
would come from the provincial treasury itself.

28 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Gentlemen, as
29 members of the Canadian Health Association, Ontario
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MR. ATTORNEY: The proportion is in
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would be raised by taxation grant and part of which
would come from the provincial treasury, yes.
THE CHAIRMAN: Now, recommendation 33,
reference to the transfer of the research, federal



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4 Division, you concern yourselves with the healthy minds
5 of people as well as sick minds of people in the
6 broader sense of the word. Do you find yourself
7 engaged mostly in relation to offering all the health
8 help you can to those who have crossed the border, if
9 you want to use that term, or are you doing a great
10 deal towards preservation of the healthy mind? Am I
making myself clear?

11 DR. ATCHESON: I think the two points
12 referred to by the Honourable Commissioner, it is
13 very difficult to make a dichotomy between them in
14 terms of positive mental health approach. The practitioner
15 who offers his services to an ill person is bettering
16 his own mental health. I think we all agree on that.
17 We have only a limited knowledge of prevention of some
18 types of mental disorder, many of these arising, of
19 course, from social disorder or economic problems.
20 These are often the fields causing the disorder. As
21 well as this, the Association since its institution has
22 concerned itself with improving the lot of those who
23 are mentally ill and the plea, although not spelled out
24 in one of the recommendations, is the plea that the
25 mental patient be not treated as a second class patient
26 but as a first class patient and whatever plans are
27 made in the future for the care of the mental patient
28 and their welfare that they be given the same care and
29 consideration and financial assistance, if needed, as
30 those who suffer from physical disorder.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: You speak of
need for research and for the effectiveness of your



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4 present methods of mass communication, what sort of
5 information do you try to disseminate? You mention one
6 thing about people understanding those who have not
7 been of good health of mind and how society should
8 reinstate them. What other things do you do in this
9 mass communication?

10 DR. ATCHESON: Attempt to interpret
11 the need for those suffering from mental illness, the
12 incidence, the economic disability, the morbidity of
13 these disorders to the public in a way that will dismiss
14 some of the fears of antiquity of the insane and allow
15 them to see it is something that is reasonable to
16 contribute towards in terms of research, that it is
17 the hopeful thing as well. To try do away with the
18 concept of the word "image" because I think it is,
19 without resorting to a cliché, we are concerned in
20 modifying the image of the mental hospital and the image
21 of the mentally ill person and by means of volunteers
22 who visit at the hospitals and through their help
23 with the mentally ill we see this is corrected. We do
24 know from attempts to obtain money for research purposes
25 on a national level that this image is far from
26 completely accurately interpreted and so we would like
27 this knowledge concerning using mass communication in
28 the way that our colleagues in other areas of health,
29 perhaps March of Dimes or the Cancer Foundation, they
30 will contribute a goal towards which people will go.

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interesting media where they have facilities that they



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...of the mental health of the community, what sort of information do you try to disseminate? You mention one thing about people understanding those who have a sense of good health of mind and how society should relate them. What other things do you do in the area of mental health?

Q. ANSWER: Attempt to interpret the rest for those suffering from mental illness, the individual, the economic disability, the position of these persons to the public in a way that will clarify some of the myths of antiquity of the illness and allow them to see it is something that is reasonable to contribute towards in terms of research, that it is the best thing as well. To try to work with the concept of the word "illness" because I think it is without referring to a disease, as one concerned in reducing the stigma of the mental hospital and the stigma of the mentally ill person and by means of volunteer who visit at the hospitals and through their help with the mentally ill, as this is connected. We do know how difficult to obtain money for research purposes on a national level that there is a lot of completely necessary information and so we would like to say that our colleagues in other areas of health, particularly in the area of the cancer foundation, that will contribute a great towards what we are doing. The other area of public education is making the people through education and research in making sure that the public is aware of the



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5 general hospital out-patient, the out-patient attached
6 to the mental hospital and the awareness that many
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8 within two months so that they need not be dismayed by
9 seeking treatment. Again this is a matter of public
10 information and education and we would only seek to
11 improve any methods that we use at the present time.

12 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: You seem to
13 be leaning towards the side of the unhealthy people
14 and I see in your preamble number 5 you say:

15 "The objectives of the corporation
16 "shall be to work for the conservation
17 "of mental health and for the improve-
18 "ment in the care and treatment of those
19 "suffering from nervous or mental
20 "diseases or mental deficiency and
21 "for the prevention of these disorders;
22 "to conduct or supervise surveys of
23 "the care of those suffering from mental
24 "diseases ----"

25 This brings me back to the original
26 question, how much in the way of public information,
27 public education or other programming in your organization
28 for the conservation and keeping of minds of the people
29 healthy?

30 DR. ATCHESON: Part of this would
come under the heading of rehabilitation an attempt
to rehabilitate and assist a person who has been ill
back toward normalcy.



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question, how much in the way of public information,

public education or other programming in your organization

for the conservation and keeping of minds of the people

healthy?

MR. WILSON: Part of this would

come under the heading of rehabilitation and attempt

to rehabilitate and assist a person who has been ill

from becoming normal.



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4 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am thinking
5 of the individual who might get that way before he gets
6 that way, where he comes in rehabilitation.

7 DR. ATCHESON: We know in this regard
8 that in actual statistics no one person has any
9 immunity to mental disorder. The period in his life
10 when this disorder might appear may vary from infancy
11 to old age and again we would, through public education,
12 like people to recognize that preventive steps can be
13 taken. Sometimes this is done by an adult who
14 recognizes it in a child and he directs this child
15 towards assistance. Sometimes it is in the adult
16 himself who may recognize, as I pointed out, by sharing
17 with others and by being a "do-gooder" which is not
18 a shameful thing to be, he may improve his own mental
19 health. By recognizing mental health or dishealth or
20 disease in a sibling, in a wife or child they may bring
21 that person to a frame of reference again where
22 preventative measures can be taken. I realize I am
23 avoiding your question, is there a part of the mental
24 health approach we may use. We do not know that this
25 is true except in the particular general sense contributing
26 to one another we remain in a homostatic or comfortable
27 state in any society and I think this is mental health.

28 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: In other words,
29 you have not got ground rules yet?

30 DR. ATCHESON: For given mental
disorders, no, for some, yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: For people
who have not got disorders but may acquire them?



of the individual who would not have been there
that way, where he comes in rehabilitation
Dr. ARTHUR: He knows in this regard

that in actual statistics no one person is any
immunity to mental disorder. The period in his life
when this disorder might appear may vary from infancy
to old age and again we noted, through child's reaction,
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taken. Sometimes this is done by an adult who
recognizes it in a child and he directs this child
towards assistance. Sometimes it is in the adult
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health approach we may want to do now know that this
is true except in the particular person's case - certainly not
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terms in any society and I think this is what we want.
COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE: In other words,
you have not put your finger yet?
Dr. ARTHUR: For the most part,
disorders, and, for some, yes.
COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE: I am going
who have not yet been put into a hospital



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THE CHAIRMAN: Might avoid them,
not acquire them.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: We are so
pre-disposed that we are liable to acquire them.

DR. ATCHESON: Let me give you an
example and this is one I know something about. Twenty
to thirty years ago there were admitted to the hospitals
many, many cases of general paresis, or mental disorder
due to syphilis. This went on for a few years and
then the medical researchers found penicillin which
worked very well and nowadays we rarely have any general
paresis patients but the relationship of research,
education and personnel, the whole thing becomes
obvious and shows what can be done when working together
as a co-ordinated whole.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Mr. Chairman,
Dr. Atcheson: You speak in paragraph 3 of personnel
and specifically of the shortage of personnel and again
specifically of social workers, nurses, et cetera.
Under your recommendation regarding the shortage of
personnel you speak also of more imaginative ways of
giving bursaries, more liberal and imaginary ways of
giving bursaries and other assistance. What do you
mean by more imaginative bursaries?

DR. ATCHESON: Well, we have felt
that we must recognize that as one way of dealing with
personnel shortage is to make good use of the areas
that are not within the disciplines of psychology,
psychiatry, nursing services, et cetera, more liberal
and imaginative bursaries. I think an example I would



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4 like to quote, a specific example and one with which
5 I am familiar is in dealing with a hospital or in-patient
6 treatment. We know it is difficult to get personnel
7 who know how to look after the situation of a disturbed
8 child, putting him to bed, getting him up, feeding him,
9 living with him during this period when he is being
10 examined, corrected, researched or trained.
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4 On this basis presently we have in Ontario a course for
5 child care workers in which the individual is
6 being trained either for one or two years and recognizes
7 he may well, at the end of that time, go into child care
8 work in some other area. I would think further imaginative
9 bursaries which would provide economic help while the
10 individual was approaching the mental health field would
11 be extremely worthwhile, in the fields of nurse's aide,
12 probation officers and many other who work with the human
13 problems, by heavily subsidizing, if you will, their
14 efforts through a period of concentrated curriculum and
15 training.

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17 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Thank you very
18 much.

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20 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Mr. Chairman,
21 Dr. Atcheson, referring to the recommendation in Paragraph
22 37: "At the present time the staff of these institutions
23 are charged primarily with a service responsibility and
24 inevitably this takes precedence over research". When you
25 speak of service responsibility do you mean treatment
26 responsibility and should not that take precedence over
27 research?

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29 DR. ATCHESON: Again the dichotomy
30 is a difficult one to make. If the service one is
rendering is inadequate because of lack of knowledge, it
is service as far as one is able, it is an aspirin tablet
for a headache without looking to see if there is a brain
tumor. It seems to me it is proper to provide service
as far as one is able, but it is abundantly necessary to
provide people to take time to find causations and thus



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improve service. Until we reach the level when we can equate the methods we use with positive results, then we will need research to improve them. If we see only the service side we will never improve the situation.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Then you go on to say in the next sentence: "Our proposal is that there be research appointments to these staffs in the several disciplines, these individuals to have no service responsibilities whatsoever". Is this practical? Would there not be a conflict between the research worker and the staff on some occasions?

DR. ATCHESON: In my opinion it is unlikely. The ability of the service-oriented person to see the need of research is almost always present. I would think sometimes the hard-working person involved only on the service might see the researcher as a daydreamer, a person who lives in an ivory tower. This is prone to happen anyway and it depends on good communication in dispelling this improper concept. I don't think one would get this where they complemented each other through their operating efficiency.

THE CHAIRMAN: You say on Page 4, Paragraph 9: "It is in the opinion of the Ontario Division of the Canadian Mental Health Association that this provides ample evidence --- that was the discussion in the House of Commons and the McNaughton Resolution that the problems of mental illness must be assigned the highest priority in the examination of the total health needs of our nation". Do you want to spell that out a little more in terms of say, the concept upon which we hear the most



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and which apparently is the subject of a lot of public discussion, that is physician service is something to occupy the whole field in the press and so forth etcetera, at the moment.

DR. ATCHESON: Mr. Chairman, the impasse in the time....

THE CHAIRMAN: We are vitally concerned with priorities in the health service field.

DR. ATCHESON: In using the McNaughton proposition as a parallel, as a way of substantiating this claim contained in Hansard many of the members came out supporting the question of mental disorders. For those of us who work in the field of mental illness, with mentally ill people, we were already very aware of this, the disability involved in the various forms of mental illness, the need for more hospital beds, the sense of antiquity where the mentally ill person had been seen as someone different who was financed and substantially cared for in terms of hospitalization in a different way and thirdly that we recognize, perhaps, the increase of these problems at two ends of the scale. The first one in infancy --- childhood because the number of children are increasing, and at the other end of the natural history of mankind in geriatrics because we are able to get man to live much longer, but he falls prone to an increasing number of illnesses. Not only is the problem as it exists of major importance, but secondly we can predict it will increase at both these age spans, age levels. So that this, in and of itself, would seem to substantiate this being the most important health matter



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in the Dominion today. In my profession, the medical profession, we are aware of our limitations of getting at the cause of many forms of mental illness. It is much more limited than many other disorders. This however, is not a need of great pessimism as within the last two decades many major illnesses have been controlled. We would anticipate recognizing the problem of mental illness as the largest problem in public health, but with the increased interest in research and some of the recommendations made in this brief that would make major break-throughs in the care of mental disorders, how it can be controlled, the need of hospital beds and this disability can come under control as well.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Since that report has there been some form of break-through, especially the 1951 report that recommends 11,416 beds for mental cases in Ontario -- since that time we have had a decline in the requirement for the bed accommodation in the mental hospitals.

DR. ATCHESON: Perhaps a decline in the request for more mental hospital beds, but increased requests or demands or appreciation that there be other forms of management. The utilization of the small hospital and the utilization of the general hospital for treating mental illness is important, special hospitals be needed --- this has been the way it has gone. The claim for a large number of beds quickly produced has perhaps been changed to the idea let's make this type treatment available to the individual in the community. I don't think it is affecting the question of disease,



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but I think we have found or discovered a more preferable approach to it than simply building larger and larger mental hospitals which very few people at the present time would agree with doing.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: In other words, you have, perhaps, just as many cases only more of them are ambulatory?

DR. ATCHESON: I think that is quite true, and the use of drugs has contributed greatly to the keeping of the patient ambulatory and not hospitalized.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Dr. Atcheson and associates. We ourselves have assigned very, very high priority to the subject of mental illness. We have some special studies underway, as you know, and what you have submitted here this afternoon and what we will have from the Canadian Mental Health Association will be of value to our research people and ourselves. Thank you very much.

THE SECRETARY: The next submission is that of the Canadian Mental Health Association. It will be known as Exhibit 301. They have also filed with me the Patterns of Care which will be known as Exhibit 301A and interim reports 1 to 6, which will be known as 301B.



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SUBMISSION OF
THE CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

---EXHIBIT NO. 301: Submission of the Canadian
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---EXHIBIT NO. 301A: Patterns of Care.

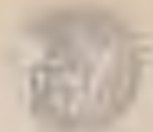
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APPEARANCES:

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DR. J. D. GRIFFIN
DR. RHODES CHALKE

MR. DUBIENSKI: Mr. Chairman, I am National
President of the Canadian Mental Health Association. I
am honoured today to be accompanied by Dr. Rhodes Chalke
of Ottawa who is a member of the Committee on Mental
Health Services of the Association's Scientific Planning
Council and Dr. J. D. Griffin of Toronto our General
Director.

I would like to make a few preliminary
remarks, Mr. Chairman. This submission of the National
Organization comes on the heels of nine Provincial sub-
missions that have been made by our Associations, each
of which have made various representations to you. I
am not going to try to document their appreciation of the
problems of mental illness and disability in each of the
Provinces. During the course of these it is my understanding



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and I am advised by their groups certain questions were asked as the submissions were made and they were referred to our national office with the hope that probably they could come up with some answers which weren't forthcoming at the Provincial level. It would be redundant on my part, I believe, to say any more about the operation, I am sure, in the nine provinces that have been presented. You have been made fully aware of the scope of the organizations and the work that is being done. During your travels across the country I am sure you have experienced much the same as I did. I have just finished a trip on behalf of the Association. I have visited the major cities across Canada and I have found a tremendous interest and a very great public awareness of this problem of mental illness, particularly, with reference to the inquisitiveness and the appreciation of the persons representing the mass media, the press and so forth. I have met with a great number of them and in all instances they have shown great interest and expended a great amount of time in discussing the matter with myself, and very kindly and I think, very fairly presented problem as we see it. The proposed recommendations we have made, the recommendations in this submission are based mainly on the findings of our Committee on Mental Health Services which we appointed some years ago with the chairmanship of Dr. J. S. Tyhurst of which Dr. Chalke was a member. After some years of deliberation and research and careful consideration they came up with a new concept and new principles concerning the treatment of mental illness. It is on the principle that have been evolved by that



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Committee that our submission is primarily based. I would ask Dr. Chalke to proceed to the recommendations that we have made as they reflect this new concept.

THE CHAIRMAN: I would like you to feel free, Dr. Chalke, as you do to expand on those areas where you think it is needed, the places and points we have been looking at, have asked for information. Anything you wish to fill in we would be very grateful for.



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4 DR. CHALKE: Our brief, Mr. Chairman,
5 is prepared with a number of sections leading to
6 recommendations, and the recommendations are summarized
7 on page 3.

8 I will review those, but first I
9 would like to draw attention to Chapter III, which is
10 the central theme. This central theme is really the
11 keynote of the brief, and all the recommendations
12 deal either directly or indirectly with this theme.
13 This is basically that mental illness should be dealt
14 with in precisely the same organizational, administrative,
15 and professional framework as physical illness, and this
16 was one of the keys in the report on the mental health
17 services. The specific recommendations, the
18 first is that a substantially increased appropriation be
19 designated by the federal government for programs of
20 public information and education in the field of mental
21 health and that these programs be developed in
22 collaboration with the provincial governments and the
23 voluntary associations.

24 The reason for this recommendation is
25 that social action in this field seems to require a
26 certain amount of public information, and if we do not
27 make the public aware of the situation that it entails,
28 it seems hard to get the kind of community backing that
29 is needed to get any plan forward, particularly if we
30 try to put the care of mental illness in the community,
because it has fallen to a community now to consider
itself responsible for these needs, and because these
needs are expensive no voluntary organization can undertake



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4 to educate the public on behalf of a government that
5 is trying to get social action going in this field,
6 so we feel this is going to need some backing through
7 educational activities of the government, to make the
8 public aware of it before a program can go forward.

9 The second recommendation is that the
10 mental health services be integrated with the physical
11 and personnel resources of the rest of medicine.

12 This means bringing the care of
13 the mentally ill back into the community, back into the
14 general hospital particularly, and the professional
15 care coming from physicians, nurses and other technical
16 staff, who identify themselves with the general health
17 services of that community.

18 The third recommendation is really
19 a corollary to this, that general hospitals be encouraged
20 to provide psychiatric services and that in the larger
21 hospitals, that is over 200 beds, psychiatric units
22 or sections should be established.

23 Now, there are some 50 of these
24 general hospital units in Canada. The figure varies
25 between 50 and 80, depending on what you call a unit,
26 but there are 50 discreet units that are taking care of
27 40% of all admissions for mental illness across Canada
28 that require hospital care, so though they represent
29 a small percentage of the total of all psychiatric beds,
30 they are caring for a significant proportion of all
31 mental illness.

32 The fourth recommendation is that the
33 wide range of psychiatric and mental health services be



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4 co-ordinated so that the patient may receive appropriate
5 help through all phases of his illness without
6 interruption.

7 This is to overcome the present
8 situation, if I may illustrate what can happen. Somebody
9 in Toronto could become psychiatrically ill, and go
10 to a general practitioner who refers them to a private
11 consultant in psychiatry, who may see the patient in
12 his office. The patient may then need hospitalization. If
13 this psychiatrist happens to be on the staff of a
14 general hospital he may take care of the patient there,
15 but if the patient is sicker than this he may have to
16 go to an Ontario Provincial Hospital, in which case
17 he has to lose his doctor and have a new doctor. As
18 he goes through this large psychiatric hospital he may
19 go on various wards of the hospital, as his condition
20 progresses. In each of these he may have to change
21 doctors. He then may go back to the out-patient clinic,
22 and rather than make it Toronto we might make it a place
23 some distance away. At this stage he may have been in
24 hospital a couple of years, lost his job, and lost
25 his medical insurance. He goes back to his community,
26 and cannot go to his own doctor, but the provincial
27 mental health clinic, so he may have as many as seven
28 psychiatrists during the course of this illness. This
29 is one reason why we urge that the services be co-ordinated,
30 to provide continuity of care, and services should be
co-ordinated with each other, so that there are not
great gaps in service, and duplication in services, and
other areas being completely uncovered. Say a Forensic



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4 Clinic may be required in a community, and you have
5 lots of geriatric services, but no forensic services,
6 and there should be lots of group planning within a
7 community to co-ordinate these services, and the wide
8 range is the tremendous range required from childhood
9 to geriatrics to forensic problems, alcoholism, people
10 with acute depressions that need short term hospitaliza-
11 tion, people that need longer hospitalization, with
12 say a special environment, a family setting, in order
13 to recover.

14 Now, to try and achieve this,
15 recommendation five is that the psychiatric treatment
16 services be established in centres of population on a
17 regional and decentralized basis.

18 At the present time very few of our
19 provincial mental health services are necessarily sited
20 in terms of the medical water-sheds of the community.
21 They are often sited for other reasons, political
22 reasons, economic reasons in terms of giving employment
23 to staff, and not necessarily where people normally go
24 when they get sick. So that one of the first things
25 is that all mental health services should be near the
26 homes of the people who are ill, to prevent them being
27 dislodged from their homes, and having to go 70 miles
28 for treatment, which would be unthinkable if they had
29 an orthopaedic disability, or a sick child.

30 THE CHAIRMAN: Is that the fact?

DR. CHALKE: People go 70 miles away.

THE CHAIRMAN: No. What you say is
you are going to put the hospitals where there are the



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4 greatest areas of population because we don't know in
5 advance who is going to be ill, and who is not going to
6 be ill. The only real test is to put the hospital
7 accessible to the greatest number, and from that
8 concentration will come the greatest number of patients.

9 DR. CHALKE: This I would say is true
10 on the whole, just as our big general hospitals are
11 in metropolitan areas. Other communities have general
12 hospitals though of one or one or two hundred beds.
13 The general policy has been to isolate mental hospitals.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: I follow that completely,
15 but even accepting your recommendation number two and
16 three and so forth, even these 200-bed hospitals are
17 going to be some miles apart, except in the metropolitan
18 areas.

19 DR. CHALKE: That is true. I think
20 that is inescapable. There will be large areas of
21 relative isolation, and there will be possibly only
22 one mental hospital available in a community, say in
23 Newfoundland. We cannot have everybody near home. The
24 decentralized concept is tied in with this, that it is
25 important if we can to put the management of these
26 hospitals back into the hands of the community, as are
27 our general hospitals now. That they would be more
28 responsive to local needs. That they would give more
29 opportunity for the professional community to become
30 involved with them, and plan them, and not look upon
them as a posting within a provincial service. The
people working there would be people living there, and
more important that the hospital itself would involve



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3 in terms of the Board of Governors and so on people
4 interested in the community, and doing their best for
5 that area, or region, whatever it was.

6 Recommendation six is that increased
7 budgets and improved facilities be provided for the
8 post graduate training of psychiatrists, social workers
9 and psychologists.

10 Recommendation number seven is that
11 training arrangements be greatly strengthened for the
12 other mental health professional personnel, particularly
13 occupational therapists and nurses.

14 This is simply the fact that we have
15 a tremendous relative lack in all these fields, and
16 part of the reason for this is that particularly in
17 terms of post graduate training, that people are getting
18 relatively older, and they have to have a living wage
19 of some kind to sustain themselves through the post
20 graduate period, and we are now in the situation where
21 we lose a great many potential people in this field at
22 the training level to the United States, because they
23 are able to pay at the training level more than a
24 qualified person in these fields can get in Canada, once
25 they have got their full accreditation.

26 We also need here, this is not just
27 a matter of budgets for the individual, it is a matter
28 that the training facilities are very short. There are
29 not enough schools with the training opportunities to
30 in fact produce as many people as we need.

31 The problem of nurses is gradually
32 being modified a little by the fact that most R.N. schools



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4 now in parts of Canada anyway require psychiatric
5 affiliation, but many of these affiliations are not in
6 hospitals which in fact teach the kind of psychiatric
7 nursing which we hope would be operative if this type
8 of plan were carried out.

9 Recommendation number eight is that
10 special efforts be made to improve the undergraduate
11 training and post graduate experience in psychiatry for
12 the general practitioner.

13 It has been variously estimated that
14 anywhere from 30 to 70 per cent of the general
15 practitioners' patients have more or less of a problem
16 related to emotional problems, or psychological problems
17 of one sort or another.

18 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: What were those
19 percentages again please?

20 DR. CHALKE: Various surveys have
21 varied from 30 up to 70 per cent, depending on the place
22 where the survey was conducted and the kind of practice
23 that it was engaged in, but certainly a third would I
24 think be a minimum that most of the surveys have found
25 here.

26 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And the majority
27 of these can be handled by the physicians and the
28 general practitioners?

29 DR. CHALKE: The majority of them are
30 being handled that way, because of the magnitude of the
numbers, but one gets the impression in talking to
general practitioners, or when one has a post graduate
course they request more information, and acknowledge



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an inadequacy in their training in this area.

It is only in the last five years, or six years, that there have been departments of psychiatry in every medical school in Canada, so we are only just beginning to get the people in general practice who have been exposed to much in the way of under-graduate teaching.

There is a subsidiary recommendation in the report here that a qualification in psychiatry should be a requirement in order to practise medicine in this country. At the present time the qualifying examinations are set by the Medical Council of Canada, and psychiatry is not yet a required examination in the Medical Council of Canada examinations. This is not of terribly great concern in terms of our own graduates, because we know that they all get a final examination at university level for an M.D. degree, but in terms of the high proportion of physicians coming to practise in this country who didn't graduate in Canadian universities, we feel that an adequate degree of knowledge and skill should be demonstrated as a requirement to be licensed to practise medicine in this country.



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Again, this question relating to our general theme, that psychiatry should be like the rest of medicine, in that in the practice of medicine generally the practitioner more or less chooses his sphere of activity, depending on his own interest, if he wants to spend most of his time with an industrial organization. These are things that can be determined, whereas the present situation in psychiatry - when I tried to illustrate to you when I talked about the disjointed patients, the psychiatrist is disjointed, too, because he is given one segment of the patient, he sees the patient in one section of the illness, but he doesn't have the satisfaction of looking after the patient throughout the period of his illness. This is one of the problems of adequate staffing of one of the government hospital services, we believe.

Recommendation X, page 3a:

"That a stepped-up recruiting campaign be undertaken to encourage suitable young people to enter the mental health careers."

This is simply suggesting that we get out into the high schools and the colleges and try and lure as many people into this area where we feel there is a tremendous shortage and we know we are in tremendous competition with all the teachers and other professions which are short, too. But we feel possibly there is a lack of knowledge, the average student in high school just doesn't bump into psychiatry every day, so we have to make a special effort to acquaint the young student



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with what is involved in being a psychiatrist or
psychiatric nurse.

Recommendation XI:

"That the amount of federal government support available for research in mental illness and mental health be increased by 10 - 20% annually and that this money be assigned to a special Mental Health Section of the Medical Research Council to administer."

This, I imagine, sir, you have heard many times, I think, that we spend roughly 5 cents per capita in Canada on psychiatric research and in the United States they spend roughly 50 cents per capita on psychiatric research. This is simply a plea for the financial support.

Now, it is phrased in this way, increasing annually, because it will take a great number of years to produce the people to carry out the research, and it would be very embarrassing if somebody gave all we needed next year because we couldn't cope with it. So it needs to be done slowly and it needs some change from the current arrangements by which most of the support for research, other than private research funds or foundations or the C.M.H.C. funds, which are relatively small; most of these come through federal-provincial grants and these have certain restrictions upon them in that they must be acceptable to a province, which makes it sometimes difficult to do national research because you must find some province



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3 which will pick this up for you. So the recommendation
4 is that the Medical Research Council might be a good
5 body through which to make these funds so that it would
6 be separate from any direct service, that it would be
7 able to dispose of this money in Canada, it would get
8 the best pay-off for the money.

9 In addition, we should like to add
10 to this recommendation or spell it out more fully in
11 regard to one particular point, and that is to carry
12 out research particularly aimed at evaluating what
13 this brief and other briefs have put forward. Various
14 people have said we should undertake care of the
15 psychiatric wards in the hospital or we should set up
16 units for adolescents. It is very important that these
17 social changes in the care of mental illness be looked
18 at critically so if we get on to a good thing, we get
19 on to it very soon and other people can follow the
20 pattern, and if it fails to prove things we should
21 also know that soon so we don't go to any expense.

22 So we would like to plead for a
23 strong evaluating facility. Whether this be a central
24 government, federal responsibility or Medical Research
25 Council or the provinces would take this on; we are
26 not specific about it as long as somebody looks
27 critically at any changes in psychiatric care.

28 Recommendation XII is:

29 "That the mental health research
30 programs in Canada emphasize the
importance of developing personnel
and careers in research as well as



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facilities."

This particularly refers to the point I made under Section XI regarding the problem of the research grants being annual. You have to dream up a project, support it and you get word back in April you can start in July. In the meantime you have to find somebody, and they want somebody in for the new project next year. This is the kind of research associateships which N.R.C. have set up which would be capable of handling this budget by government which are normally of a tenure of five or ten years, the associateship is granted by N.R.C. grants.

But a man who becomes deeply involved and exceedingly expert in analyzing the E.E.G.'s, differentiating in mental disorders and he wants to make a career of studying mental disorders, this is the type of order that this highly specialized research work requires.

Recommendation XIII, which changes the theme here and deals with legislation:

"That the provincial governments be encouraged to review and amend mental health legislation so that administrative procedures for mentally ill patients concerning the admission to hospital and the function of the public trustee or equivalent will, as far as possible, be similar to those for the physically ill patient."



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I am sure the Commission is aware each province has its own laws governing the admission of patients to the mental hospital, and some of these are cumbersome, it makes it difficult to admit a mental patient at 2 o'clock in the morning, and some of them are unnecessarily restricting in grading in that they take away a good many civil liberties which would not necessarily be required by the patient's illness and which could well be retained by the patient during a period of hospitalization.

Such things as taking away people's right to drive a car, right to vote, to possess funds, to make legal contracts, make mortgage payments and so on, can all be taken away because he is admitted to a mental hospital. If he goes into a general hospital none of these things are generally done.

The British have come a long way in this regard. Some provinces have done bits and pieces in their amendments, where they are in a patchwork state, and we feel that a general review could be made of this topic and a model legislation could be set up having a more adaptable method of admitting patients.

THE CHAIRMAN: Which may be a job for the Uniformity Committee?

MR. DUBIENSKI: It would be, Mr. Chairman. We will have to refer it to them in the next meeting in Halifax.

DR. CHALKE: Recommendation XIV also deals with legislation:

"That the federal government be



I am sure the Commission is aware

that the Commission has not yet received the information
concerning the mental hospital, and some of the
and perhaps, it might be difficult to find a
mental patient at a time in the morning, but some
of them are undoubtedly continuing to receive the
that they take away a good deal of the information which
would not necessarily be required by the patient's life
and which could well be retained by the patient
during a period of hospitalization.

Good things as taking away from the
right to drive a car, right to vote, to possess funds,
to make legal contracts, make mortgage payments and so
on, can all be taken away, because he is confined to a
mental hospital. It is good into a general hospital
and of course things are reported to the

The Minister has come a long way in
this regard. Some countries have done this and others
in their treatment, where there are in a position
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of these things and a mental hospital could be set up
providing a more suitable method of admitting patients.
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4 urged to amend the Immigration Act
5 and certain words in the Criminal
6 Code and Penitentiary Act in order
7 to bring up to date the wording and
8 interpretation concerning mentally
9 disordered persons."

10 There are still words such as "lunacy",
11 "insanity" and I know that these still have a very
12 direct legal connotation which cannot be taken away.
13 For example, in regard to the Immigration Act, if
14 people come to Canada and are admitted to a mental
15 hospital, they face the possibility of being returned
16 to their own country, whereas if they go to a general
17 hospital, with the same diagnosis, this will not happen
18 to them.

19 So we think that the wording of the
20 Act may be brought up to date in that regard.

21 Recommendation XV deals with children.
22 Although we are most woefully short in Canada in regard
23 to psychiatry, we are worse off in regard to children.
24 We recommend:

25 "That properly staffed child guidance
26 clinical services be provided so
27 that there is one out-patient or school
28 based clinic and one residential
29 psychiatric treatment centre (15 -
30 20 beds) for each 100,000 total
population."

At the present time this is our
greatest lack in Canada in terms of clinical services.



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Recommendation XVI:

"That a planned program of increasing annual expenditures for mental health services be accepted as necessary if an adequate standard of treatment and care is to be developed."

This is simply the statement that it is going to cost more money to bring into effect any of the proposals here and it couldn't possibly be done with the same amount being spent now for psychiatric services. To carry out these services it is going to increase in direct cost, but the estimated cost is roughly now some 250 million dollars, 300 million dollars, which we pay in direct costs, whereas 600 million dollars per annum loss of income, and we would hope, on the basis of studies and statistics that are currently available, that increasing this to, say, 450 million dollars would materially reduce the 600 million dollars indirect cost of getting people back to work much sooner and keeping them at work much longer.

Recommendation XVII is again very closely tied to the central theme of this brief:

"That any plan of comprehensive hospital and medical treatment insurance must include comprehensive psychiatric hospital and treatment services for the mentally ill without discrimination or exclusion."
I don't think I need enlarge on that.



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THE CHAIRMAN: I suppose the emphasis there is that you want the Hospitalization and Diagnostic Services Act amended accordingly?

DR. CHALKE: Yes, amended to apply to mental hospitals and that any government participation in any medical care insurance plan would ensure that the psychiatric services were covered.

THE CHAIRMAN: That that type of discrimination be not carried forward ---

DR. CHALKE: Into a medical care insurance plan.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Dr. Chalke.



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4 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: In speaking
5 about general hospitals and hospital units for
6 psychiatric cases that is about 30 or 40 beds, I
7 presume?

8 DR. CHALKE: That is the average.

9 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Some are units
10 and some sections but they are built in institutions
11 and not segregated areas these 40 or so instances you
12 have in Canada?

13 DR. CHALKE: They are segregated as
14 much as the department of paediatrics or the department
15 of surgery, they are areas within the hospital. In most
16 cases they are a part of the main hospital building
17 but in some cases they may be in existing buildings
18 on the grounds of the hospital.

19 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: These larger
20 hospitals are usually in larger areas and therefore it
21 means it is some distance travelling for people. I
22 wonder whether three or four beds set aside in a small
23 hospital of 25 to 50 beds could not be used for such
24 a purpose as, say, acute agitation cases or an acute
25 depressive case that could, within three or six weeks
26 be reoriented, restored. Would that not be a good
27 thing for these small hospitals to accommodate people
28 so as to keep them closer to home especially, as you
29 stated earlier, in a good many of these cases they may
30 be handled on the part of the G.P.?

DR. CHALKE: A good many people would
support you. A good many of these hospitals would be
staffed by two or three general practitioners you would
not have a psychiatrist available on a resident basis.



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4 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Not all these
5 cases, I am given to understand, always need the benefit
6 of a specialist of psychiatry?

7 DR. CHALKE: I think a good many,
8 at least from being on the receiving end of people who
9 go to small general hospitals first, I am sure a lot
10 of cases are being treated in this way. We get the ones
11 the G.P.'s send us. They will call up from a town
12 50 miles away and say "I have this patient and he did
13 not get better in three weeks". However they might
14 say "I had Mrs. So-and-So in here for three weeks and
15 she is gone home again". I am sure a good many of these
16 people are being treated by general practitioners.

17 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: That is no
18 different from a heart case that stays away and then
19 is referred. You think that could be useful and meet
20 a need?

21 DR. CHALKE: I think so.

22 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: You make
23 reference here to the private professional service,
24 non-medical types, do you remember that? In the larger
25 centres there are often a number of non-medical people
26 who have had special training in psychology, medical
27 and personal guidance and they are consulted by many
28 people who have problems. with reference to child
29 management, family disharmony and so forth.

30 DR. CHALKE: Yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Are there many
such in Canada? I know it is a common event in the
United States?



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4 DR. CHALKE: I might refer this to
5 Dr. Griffin who is probably more aware of the private
6 practitioner of psychology and social work in Canada.

7 DR. GRIFFIN: Yes, it is on the
8 increase. From the information we have it is slightly
9 on the increase in Canada. There are more psychologists
10 now established in what they call private practice than
11 was the case ten years ago. This is not commonly
12 encountered except in the large centres, Montreal,
13 Toronto and Vancouver, perhaps, almost never in smaller
14 cities. It is not a rapidly increasing phenomena in
15 Canada but it is present.

16 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: They are
17 acceptable and welcome to the ranks?

18 DR. GRIFFIN: Many of them work on
19 referrals of patients or clients from doctors, the
20 doctors refer children, parents with children who have
21 problems relative to school, to emotional disturbances
22 relating to selection of his vocation and all that sort
23 of thing. These things are commonly referred to these
24 people and they do a reasonably competent job.

25 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: They are well
26 trained academically?

27 DR. GRIFFIN: I think where they
28 would get into trouble is when they attempt to treat a
29 person who is really sick in our sense of the term
30 mental illness. I think in that case they would be
incompetent, if I might use that word, to treat a person
who has a serious depression, for instance, or serious
agitated disturbance and excitement. I think most of them



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would be very quick to say "We are not interested in trying to deal with this kind of case".

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: In other words they seem to be lacking a certain amount of clinical training along with their basic ---

DR. GRIFFIN: That is right. Several of these psychologists who have established themselves in private practice have associated themselves with a psychiatrist or a medical person interested in psychiatry on a working sort of collegueship basis. These people have a fine professional experience in that kind of work relationship.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: They are also frequently integrated with your hospitals?

DR. GRIFFIN: Sometimes that is true.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And the psychiatric units have the evaluation of children?

DR. GRIFFIN: That is right.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am interested in your reference to the Verdun Hospital in Montreal, one of a kind and you say this is a non-profit hospital administered by local and lay board of governors. That is a private institution, or is it?

DR. CHALKE: It is a private hospital in the same sense, I would think, as St. Michael's General Hospital here is a private hospital. However, it is a non-profit hospital, its board is appointed by a self-perpetuating body. It had to have approval by the Ministry of Health of Quebec.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: How is it financed?



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would be very hard to say "is not interested in
trying to deal with this kind of case".

COMMISSIONER BARTMAN: In other words

they seem to be facing a certain amount of difficulty

concerning their plans --

DR. QUINN: That is right, because

of these hospitals who have established themselves

in private practice have associated themselves with a

government or a medical person interested in

philanthropy on a working basis of collegial basis.

These people have a great professional experience in

that kind of work relationship.

COMMISSIONER BARTMAN: They are also

presently interested with your hospital?

DR. QUINN: Sometimes that is true.

COMMISSIONER BARTMAN: And the

government has the evaluation of children?

DR. QUINN: That is right.

COMMISSIONER BARTMAN: I am interested

in your reference to the London Hospital, is that correct?

DR. QUINN: Yes, and you know this is a non-profit hospital.

It is operated by local and in fact of no interest.

is a national institution, is it?

DR. QUINN: Yes, it is a national institution.

in the same sense, I would think, as the "Red Cross".

Generally speaking, it is a private hospital, however.

It is a non-profit hospital, its purpose is educational.

by a self-governing body. It has to have a board.

of the hospital, is it?

COMMISSIONER BARTMAN: You are in the same



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4 DR. CHALKE: Among other ways I know
5 of, Dr. Griffin may enlarge on this, they get a per diem
6 grant from the Province of Quebec for each patient
7 that is in there as a public patient.

8 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: The patients
9 pay for going in?

10 DR. CHALKE: Not necessarily, they
11 can be indigent and, in fact, by far the largest
12 proportion of patients there do not pay anything. You
13 can go in to Verdun, however, as a private patient, for
14 they have a private pavilion where you can go in and
15 pay but by far the largest number of patients are
16 supported on a per diem grant from the Province of
17 Quebec.

18 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: What are the
19 special merits or advantages of this type of institution?

20 DR. CHALKE: Well, the great merit
21 is that it is decentralized and, therefore, you have
22 a group of citizens for whom this is of great concern.
23 You may have 10 or 20 people, the head of a bank note
24 company or a bank who are interested in making this
25 the best possible hospital they can make it. They are
26 free to utilize and call upon charitable foundations
27 to have public appeals to put a new special building
28 for occupational therapy which is difficult to do if
29 you have provincial hospitals run through a centralized
30 office. That is the greatest advantage.

31 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: They do a fair
32 amount of research?

33 DR. CHALKE: Yes.



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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And clinical research?

DR. CHALKE: This they are able to do again because they, as an independent board, can go and ask the Rockefeller Foundation for X dollars in order to carry out research which a provincial mental hospital cannot. The superintendent of a provincial mental hospital cannot run out and get money from any private foundation in this way.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Thank you for helping me in the distinction.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Dr. Griffin, the research grants you spoke about, grants for certain purposes and other grants more or less open are there research grants in mental health for mental libraries, medical libraries?

DR. GRIFFIN: It is my understanding that some of the federal mental health grants may be used for the purchase of books for libraries. This used to be the case, I am not certain whether it is still true.

DR. CHALKE: If a new unit is opened up usually there is a capital grant for purchasing basic reference books but you cannot now acquire continuing subscriptions?

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Proper research cannot be done without a proper medical library, an adequate medical library, that is true is it not?

DR. GRIFFIN: Absolutely, and it is one of the great needs that has often been expressed by



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4 research in Canada, ones that we have talked to in
5 trying to arrive at the findings in this brief expressed
6 the need for research libraries in the field of mental
7 health. It has even been said by some enthusiasts that
8 there is not one such library presently in Canada. This
9 may be from excessive zeal but certainly we are lacking
in this generally.

10 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Your
11 Association would recommend money being applied to
12 purchase adequate medical libraries?

13 DR. GRIFFIN: Yes.

14 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Now, we have
15 heard quite a lot in your brief about the change from
16 custodial care to psychiatric rings and home service
17 and so on and the advantages of this system. However, we
18 have heard none of the disadvantages of it; is it not
19 true that in cases of emotional illness that the return
home early of the psychiatric patient is going to have
a certain emotional effect on the family?

20 DR. CHALKE: That certainly is a
21 possibility, sir, and it is true we are hearing more
22 about this as you have indicated but surely this
23 indicates also the need for more extensive and intensive
24 community mental health service. The after care for
25 patients who have left the mental hospitals or
26 psychiatric units in general hospitals in Canada are
27 in the very early stages of beginning. There is
28 probably more work needed in developing, more money,
29 more planning needed in developing adequate after care
30 rehabilitation, sheltered industrial setting and that sort



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4 other single aspect of this whole field with the possible
5 exception of work with children, as Dr. Chalke has
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COMMISSIONER VAN WART: It is based on the fact mental health should be given almost the major priority.

DR. CHALKE: This also brings up the question about the need of studying this particular kind of question. It follows on what happens if you change some of the arrangements for the care of the mentally ill. For example in England they have been studying Worthing. They have been keeping mental patients out of the mental hospitals. While they have been doing that they have been taking a good sharp look at the effect it has on families and children and so on. We cannot really answer your question because we have never studied the impact of this particular thing on a community.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Dubienski, Dr. Chalke and Dr. Griffin. We are building up our library of knowledge.

MR. DUBIENSKI: Thank you for the opportunity.

THE CHAIRMAN: We are grateful to you.

MR. DUBIENSKI: Thank you indeed, sir.

THE SECRETARY: The next submission is that of the Ontario Psychiatric Association. Dr. Miller will introduce his members to the Commission and present his recommendations. It will be known as Exhibit 302. They have also sent along various Appendices number from I to XII which will be known as Exhibit 302A.



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THE ONTARIO PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION

---EXHIBIT NO. 302: Submission of the Ontario
Psychiatric Association.

---EXHIBIT NO. 302A: Appendices Nos. I to XII.

APPEARANCES:

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DR. C.A. CLELAND,
DR. H.W. HENDERSON,
MR. R.B. SLOANE,
DR. A. DOYLE,
DR. K.G. GRAY,
DR. W. MITCHELL.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Miller?

DR. MILLER: Yes, sir. May I present
the members of our group: On my right Dr. Gray; Dr.
Henderson; Dr. Cleland; Dr. Sloane; Dr. Mitchell and Dr.
Doyle. Shall we proceed?

THE CHAIRMAN: If you will.

DR. MILLER: This is a brief from the
Ontario Psychiatric Association. I would like to read the
recommendations and I believe you have all got a copy of
our brief.

It is recommended that:

1. Mental illness be recognized as the most serious
of all health problems in terms of:

1. The numbers involved
11. The disablement induced
111. The cost of the care
- 1V. The gaps in our scientific knowledge



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2. Greater knowledge be sought in all areas. Juvenile and adult delinquency, drug addiction, mental retardation, the disorders of children and the aged, are urgent and growing problems, whether assessed in dollars or human unhappiness. Research is the only way to find new and better answers to these questions. Although the flow of money into mental health research has increased it it still relatively far less than the amount devoted to physical health.
3. Facilities for training of professional personnel in the Mental Health field should be increased.
4. Treatment for mental illness should be provided on the same basis as for physical illness.
5. Treatment of mental illness should be included under the Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Act (Federal Bill - 320) in the same way as for physical illness.
6. Prepaid medical insurance plans should adequately cover mental illness.
7. Priority should be given to the expansion of psychiatric facilities.
The services of such facilities to be centred, preferably, on local general hospitals, and providing in and out patient facilities, including adequate non-residential adult and children services.
8. Psychiatric facilities should operate under by-laws similar to public general hospitals.
9. Rehabilitation should be fostered through halfway houses, sheltered workshops, and day and night hospital accommodation.



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10. The community should develop greatly increased facilities for the care of the aged, through home help, meal services and the provision of hostels and small homes.

11. Legislation, relevant to the mentally ill, should be reviewed.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Dr. Miller. Do you wish to make any observations? I don't know, you just came in when the discussion was going on the Canadian Mental Health Association. Are there any general observations you wish to make at this time, either yourself or any of your associates?

DR. MILLER: Regarding the whole field?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

DR. SLOANE: I would like to pick up the echo of Dr. Chalke's comment. We are still in the stage of having attitudes to the various techniques, if you like, in dealing with psychiatric patients, whether in mental hospitals, general hospitals and so on. This is one of the most pressing needs for investigation, I think, the operational research to find out whether there are good, bad effects associated with various ways of treating psychiatric patients.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Did you get the one question earlier as to what is being done in terms of positive help?

DR. SLOANE: I am afraid I wasn't here.

THE CHAIRMAN: That mental illness be recognized as the most serious of all health problems in terms of -- would you care to comment on whether you



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should just stop with problems period?

DR. MILLER: Well, if we stop at that point, I don't believe we have been able to pin-point to some extent the way in which it is really a serious health problem. I think one has to expand and develop this point so it has some relevancy to the actual situation. I think the four points we have made tend to direct attention to the way in which it is a serious health problem, most serious health problem.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are you in a position to make comparative statements as to the seriousness of mental illness in relation to the plight of those who are suffering from mental illness in relation to the plight of those suffering from physical illness insofar as being taken care of is concerned? Are you satisfied that they are being well taken care of? Are they being amply taken care of in Canada today?

DR. MILLER: We are talking for Ontario, of course.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, Ontario likes to suggest that they speak for Canada. I don't mean the medical people, just Ontario as a place from which I don't come.

DR. SLOANE: I consider they are not as relatively well taken care of as physical illness is.

THE CHAIRMAN: Let me put it this way, we have --- "We", the "Canadian people", have a given amount of money to spend on service, on health service, on improving health service. Where do you say that money should be spent, on the physical health field,



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or the mental health field, additional money.

DR. MILLER: I would think that our group would feel there should be no difference, that the money should be spent for all sick people to an equal extent.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you think that physically ill people, and if you do, say so, that the physically ill are, shall I say, as inadequately served as the mentally ill of Canada at the present time?

DR. MILLER: I don't think I would think so.

THE CHAIRMAN: Either speak up or do something about it, unless you don't understand me.

DR. MILLER: I think the physically ill people are looked after for the most part. I think the people who are mentally ill, I think a good deal of improvement could take place in the quality of care. I think that more facilities and more money, more attention has to be directed in order for the people who are suffering from this kind of disability to have the kind of care which I think it is possible to provide for them.

THE CHAIRMAN: You say in Number 6: "Prepaid medical insurance plans should adequately cover mental illness". Do you mean by that in the same way as these plans cover physical illness?

DR. MILLER: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Without differentiation, discrimination or anything?

DR. MILLER: That is right.

THE CHAIRMAN: Merely because the



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matter was referred to in terms of insurance coverage, and not dealing with the therapy of the situation, because I don't know anything about it, but would you care to comment on the proposition that was put forward by the insurance companies here last week that in any prepaid insurance plan it is desirable that there should be a co-insurance feature up to as much as 50% of the cost of psychiatric service where they do not make the same recommendation for physical illness.

DR. MILLER: Would you care to answer, Dr. Mitchell?

DR. MITCHELL: No, because I don't know what co-insurance is.

THE CHAIRMAN: Co-insurance is that the patient will pay part of the bill.

DR. GRAY: Mr. Chairman, I would suggest that the whole of this brief would say we don't agree with that statement.

THE CHAIRMAN: You don't. I must say it did not make sense to me either. It was suggested that this is good therapy. The insurance companies were suggesting that. It would be the same as if I suggested it. Perhaps they know more about it than I do. If I was receiving psychiatric treatment it would help me if I had to pay half of my bill, what do you say on that as a proposition in terms of prepaid insurance if we were discussing making insurance available to everybody regardless of pre-existing condition?

DR. SLOANE: I think the medical or scientific theorem on which it is based, psychotherapy



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does you good if you have to pay for it, has been confounded
by studies. That is one of the areas we know it does
not apply. I think if it is irrelevant to the narrow
field of psychotherapy it is quite irrelevant to the
major field of psychiatric care.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.



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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Gentlemen,
still looking at your first statement, which frightens
me to read:

"Mental illness is to be recognized
as the most serious of all health
problems",
in terms of four items.

My first question in that connection
is: would you say that half of all illnesses in Canada
are mental illnesses, in terms of numbers involved?

DR. MILLER: It is difficult to get
an accurate figure, but taking it on the basis of the
information that we do have, I would say yes to that.
For example, the number of people who are hospitalized
in Canada for mental illness equals the number of
people hospitalized for all other reasons.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: That is not a
very good comparison. One is hospitalized for two,
three or four years, as of the past, and in the turnover
of general hospitals, that is, I don't know how many
times, maybe ten times as much. That sort of statistical
comparison does not apply.

DR. MITCHELL: The costs are equal.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am not
interested in costs.

THE CHAIRMAN: Have you made that
statement with forethought, because we have been told
that the costs, the money spent on physical illness
is four times as much per unit as on mental illness.

DR. MITCHELL: Well, in a book on the



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National Health Service, by Abell, Smith and Tipman, they found that a certain percentage of the gross national produce was directed towards all medical care...

THE CHAIRMAN: Their figures were not in relation to Canada.

DR. MITCHELL: No, but it was a survey of total cost in a service, and more than half of those were directed towards the mentally ill.

THE CHAIRMAN: You will have to accept that those figures are not valid at all in Canada. In terms of the present-day figures from the Department of National Health and Welfare, it is four to one, \$5 per day as compared to an average of twenty.

DR. MITCHELL: That is how they spend it now.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, that is how they spend it now. That is what we are talking about, now.

DR. HENDERSON: If I may take exception to the question, two, three or four years is a great exaggeration.

THE CHAIRMAN: I think your figures are 30 or 40 days?

DR. HENDERSON: That is getting closer to it.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I was thinking about the old-fashioned asylums.

DR. HENDERSON: The incidence of mental disorder, there are many statements to the effect that two out of three patients consulting a general practitioner have some emotional factor, either



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related to a physical disorder, or this is the main cause of their disability.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Well, let's speak not academically, but the statement as it applies to the nation. There is a component in all other illnesses that is of an emotional nature. Do you classify that as a mental illness? Would an individual like that be counted among those who suffer from mental ill health? What is included in this broad term of mental ill health?

DR. MILLER: Any factor which affects the person's functioning and state of well-being.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: It might be for an hour, or a day, on account of business or of weather?

DR. MILLER: Yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am thinking of people reading that. This is one of the most serious things that affects this nation. That is the thing that bothers me at the moment. Is it really true?

DR. MILLER: Well, we say it is. We say in terms of all the people in Canada who may be sick at any given time, this represents a large segment of the population, of the illnesses that people are suffering from.

THE CHAIRMAN: I think it has been said to us on a number of occasions that of all those in hospitals this afternoon, 45 out of 100 are in mental illness beds. Some have said 50, but we are



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told that the more correct figure is in the neighbourhood of 45.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: These same conditions that we are speaking of, perhaps I could go so far as to call them, say, the borderline cases. What is the essential part of their treatment as being so-called people suffering from mental illness? What is their form of treatment? One is mentally disturbed because he has a broken leg. The proper treatment is to get his leg mended and get him back to work, and then his emotional troubles are over. And that one is mentally disturbed because of difficulties at home. Then, if some counsellor, or some interested body, sees that that element is straightened out, then he is relieved of his tensions and anxieties, and is back into operation, and is immediately relieved of being counted among this number of people suffering from mental ill health. Right?

DR. MILLER: No.

THE CHAIRMAN: I don't know that the Commission exists to educate Dr. Baltzan.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am thinking in terms of the need therefore for treatment and rehabilitation. Some of the things that you are stressing here, that these are, as they appear to me, then not altogether within the aegis or the domain of, say, the mental therapist.

THE CHAIRMAN: Perhaps we can reach it this way, Dr. Baltzan, that if they say that the 45 out of 100 who are in hospital this afternoon in a



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3 mental institution, how many of them are there with
4 broken legs and so forth? That is not the people you
5 are talking about at all?

6 DR. MILLER: No, that is right.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: They are in hospital
8 because they have been put there. Somebody has
9 diagnosed them as being suffering from mental illness?

10 DR. MILLER: Because they have an
11 illness which is interfering with their ability to
12 function.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: Besides those then,
14 there is this category that Dr. Baltzan is talking
15 about. Those that have suffered some financial loss
16 or some relative has come to visit them and they
17 would like to get rid of them?

18 DR. MILLER: Do you want us to talk
19 about this?

20 THE CHAIRMAN: I would like you to
21 talk about it.

22 DR. MILLER: I don't think that the
23 people you are talking about would be psychiatric
24 problems at all. I think these are people who are
25 experiencing the emotional reactions of ordinary
26 life situations, or extraordinary life situations perhaps.

27 The people we are talking about are the
28 people who have an emotional disturbance, which, in
29 itself, is interfering with their functioning. Not
30 necessarily the situation which they may be reacting to.
It is not the broken leg, and it is not the financial
problem. It is the way the person is reacting, or



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adapting to it, which determines whether the person is ill or not.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: So these people who are severely disturbed constitute half the sickness in Canada?

DR. MILLER: We are including a number of categories.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Yes, on a wide plane?

DR. MILLER: Yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Priority should be given to the expansion of psychiatric facilities and I think we have heard a good deal about that. Now, what is being done, or what would you recommend in the way ---

THE CHAIRMAN: I wonder if you gentlemen are really talking about the same thing? You are talking about half the sick people; relatively half of them. That does not make them half the population.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Yes, the sick population.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, it is a far different thing than half the population.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Yes, I think I phrased my question originally, half the sick people, not half the population of Canada.

"Priority should be given to the provision of psychiatric facilities providing hospitals, patient facilities, etc." What work, again for our information, is under your aegis in the way of research?



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Is research under your Association going on in Ontario?

DR. SLOANE: There are studies into the causes of the psychosis of old age, and the causes, if you like, of alcoholism. Are these the sort of things you have in mind?

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Yes.

DR. SLOANE: Yes, they are all variously taking place, including in this province, yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And that is part of the activities of your organization, or members of your organization?

DR. SLOANE: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Under this same paragraph on priorities, you give priorities to facilities. Now, among facilities, what priorities would you give to day care and night care? I ask you these questions because I am very much impressed with the work that is being done in Montreal with the patients in day care and night care, and it seems to me that if more of this were done we could prevent a lot of patients going into the institutions, being completely hospitalized or institutionalized.

Would you rate this as high priority in your facilities?

DR. SLOANE: Yes, we consider this is a high priority, and it is probable that this will cut down the need for hospital admission, and cut down the duration of illness, if a person needs to be admitted to hospital.

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3 have the facts and figures to know that this is a
4 better way of treating the patients, although we
5 strongly believe that we would urge that we are still
6 finding that out. We couldn't prove it, but we
7 believe it is a good way, and it is being done to an
8 increasing amount in this province, a considerably
9 increasing amount.

10 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Would you say
11 this is in the field of preventive medicine, and that
12 anything we can do in preventive medicine in mental
13 health will give rewards later on?

14 DR. MILLER: Very much so.

15 DR. DOYLE: I think the point should
16 be made here, Mr. Commissioner, that priority centres
17 for day and night care, that these are associated with
18 the general hospital. Priority, I think, still needs
19 to be toward seeing that our centre of health for the
20 community, that is the general hospital, is assuming
21 a much greater responsibility than has been true in
22 the past for the treatment of psychiatric patients.

23 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Did you say
24 these are not associated with general hospitals?

25 DR. DOYLE: They are. What we haven't
26 got yet anywhere near adequately is the general hospital
27 unit, or the general hospital service that is contribu-
28 ting to the treatment and prevention of psychiatric
29 disorder in the community.

30 This is, I think, a striking thing;
that here is a serious sort of illness in all its phases,
and except in certain isolated, or certain centres,



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3 little has been done towards recognizing the general
4 hospital as the logical place to assume the responsibility
5 for this community medical problem.

6 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: But as a rule
7 they wouldn't -- you say where you have day and night
8 care is usually in a hospital that also has a psychiatric
9 section?

10 DR. DOYLE: Yes, but it is on getting
11 the facilities.

12 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: It is above that.
13 It is something more?

14 DR. DOYLE: Yes, very important.

15 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Mr. Chairman,
16 I wonder if we could have Recommendation No. 3 enlarged
17 upon?

18 DR. SLOANE: There is a considerable
19 dearth of professional personnel in all areas. That
20 is delineated in the body of the brief and we consider
21 that to start with, psychiatric training, there is a
22 great need for an extension of the graduate training
23 and undergraduate in this area. That this probably,
24 at the graduate level, needs to be taken special cogni-
25 zance of by possibly some increased university money
26 for this person, and this extends through all the
27 other branches, social work, occupational therapy,
28 nursing, psychology, all of which are not well-represented
29 in varying degrees.
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4 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Irrespective
5 of numbers, then the training facilities in the mental
6 health field should be increased?

7 DR. SLOANE: Should be increased.

8 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Irrespective
9 of the number of personnel?

10 DR. SLOANE: I don't quite follow you.

11 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Irrespective
12 of the number of personnel that now exists, you say that
13 the facilities for training in the mental health field
14 should be increased?

15 DR. SLOANE: Yes.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Have you any further
17 comments to make, gentlemen, any one of you?

18 DR. CLELAND: One of the points we
19 would like to bring out, which is brought out pretty
20 well in the brief, is the fact that the present method
21 of caring for emotional break-down, mental illness, in
22 a great many parts of the country is to treat that
23 person some 100 miles or so from his home, and we feel
24 very strongly about that. That is not the treatment for,
25 say, physical illness. There is a general hospital
26 around the corner or certainly within an hour's drive
27 of the patient's home. We would like to see community
28 facilities developed to the extent that treatment for
29 a psychiatric illness, for a severe psychiatric illness
30 is available near the patient's home where he doesn't
have to lose contact with his community, with his family
or possibly with his job or with his employer. These
things are all highly important, and this is the reason



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4 why we have directed our report in the nature of
5 providing community facilities, something right in the
6 patient's own back yard, as it were, and we have gone
7 a bit along this way and we expect that this will be
8 developed very highly in the next few years, we hope.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Cleland, what is
10 the distribution of your psychiatrists in Ontario?

11 DR. CLELAND: By and large the
12 psychiatrists in private practice are in the larger
13 centres.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: How do you see this
15 ideal that you have been expressing being worked out
16 in practice, if that is the actual situation as to the
17 location of your specialists in psychiatry?

18 DR. CLELAND: I think there has been
19 a great change in the last ten years, in one thing in
20 the acceptance of psychiatrists by other members of the
21 medical profession and their use in consultation and
22 in treating various problems, and I feel that this is
23 going to progress and that there will be plenty of
24 room for psychiatrists in the smaller centres than we
25 have now.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: Now, I come back to
27 this matter of some form of prepaid coverage for all
28 illnesses, including psychiatric services. Have you
29 any special position to take in that regard, or are the
30 specialists in psychiatry satisfied to be bundled in
with all the other physicians and paid on the same
tariff basis?

DR. CLELAND: Personally I think we



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would be very satisfied, Mr. Chairman, that is to be bundled with all the other physicians and paid in the same manner.

THE CHAIRMAN: That is on a fee-for-service basis?

DR. CLELAND: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is that the general practitioner's fee or the specialist's fee?

DR. CLELAND: Naturally I think it should be the specialist's fee, because a specialist in psychiatry is as trained as any other specialist is.

THE CHAIRMAN: How do you visualize the patient reaching the psychiatrist? By referral from the general practitioner?

DR. CLELAND: Very frequently it would be.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is this the pattern of practice you think should obtain?

DR. CLELAND: Now, I am a mental hospital superintendent. Possibly we should have one of the practitioners in psychiatry answer that question.

DR. DOYLE: Ideally I think that the referral of a patient to any specialist, whether he is a psychiatrist or some other specialist, should come from this patient's personal physician. In practice, as times have changed, I believe often a citizen knows when he needs something that is special and he shouldn't perhaps -- it shouldn't be insisted that he go to see one doctor to have him referred to another doctor, when he knows what he requires. But I think ideally we



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should have a specialist who knows his needs.

THE CHAIRMAN: I wonder if you have any thoughts on that question put to Dr. Cleland, because it has been represented to us, and certainly to me personally, that a psychiatrist would starve with that type of remuneration. While the general practitioner or a specialist may see 15 or 20 patients a day, the psychiatrist, if he is doing a good job, will see four or five or six maybe.

DR. DOYLE: I think there are two things enter into this. One is that there is certainly -- I don't believe there are any reliable figures about what it does cost to see that people do get proper psychiatric care, we just don't know, and I think the insurance companies are away out of line in their fear that such coverage would ruin the company financially, it is just not so.

THE CHAIRMAN: This is a sort of fear that appears to be in the background.

DR. DOYLE: Yes. What we do feel is that it isn't as expensive as it may seem, that people are not making the effort to provide this coverage because of this fear.

Only recently, in the last few weeks, they have produced a suggested plan for the payment for psychiatric treatment.

THE CHAIRMAN: On what basis?

DR. DOYLE: This is on a fee-for-service basis largely.

THE CHAIRMAN: Oh what basis as regards



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3 to other medical services?

4 DR. DOYLE: They are limited.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: In what way?

6 DR. DOYLE: Limited in the number of
7 consultations which may be had, the amount that they
8 will pay for a given service. Let's say a given service
9 is \$15.00, they will pay \$5.00.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Are the doctors afraid
11 it will cost P.S.I. too much?

12 DR. DOYLE: Certainly P.S.I. feel
13 it will cost too much. Some of them, and P.S.I. was
14 actually the first, have undertaken at least to do some-
15 thing about covering psychiatric illness, and other
16 insurance companies have seen fit to follow in line to
a limited degree.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Is this a manifestation
18 of the age-old prejudice of mental illness being carried
19 into the medical field?

20 DR. DOYLE: I believe it is repercussions
21 from ignorance, yes.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: You say that they
23 even now have limitations, they have not accepted the
24 principle that mental illness is an illness like any
other and should be treated accordingly?

25 DR. DOYLE: Yes.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: The fundamental concept
27 of your submission here today?

28 DR. DOYLE: That is what we have
submitted.

29 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Let's take, as
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4 an example, the average fee in your field. How would
5 it compare the fee, say, for an operation, if somebody
6 had to pay \$200.00? How does it compare? Take a case
7 that is referred to you and you have to have continuation
8 treatment, the sum payable, say, roughly over the average,
9 would it amount to very much more than a major surgical
operation?

10 DR. DOYLE: No, I wouldn't say it
11 would, sir. If patient were under care for, say, two
12 months -- I can only speak from personal experience
13 and that of a few of my colleagues -- seeing the patients
14 every day and having some long sessions with the patient
15 as well, about two months, would likely cost him as
16 far as the psychiatric fee is concerned anything from,
17 say, \$150.00 to \$300.00 or something like that. Perhaps
18 others wouldn't quite agree with this, but it is in that
19 area. Whereas a surgical operation, and it doesn't
20 have to be a very big one, would certainly be \$200.00
21 and it would be done in, say, an hour or two hours or
22 whatever the case may be. I think psychiatrists as a
whole are working on a basis which is extremely
reasonable, and perhaps they are underrating their value.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: Why can't you convince
24 your own organization?

25 DR. DOYLE: We are convincing them;
26 we are working at this all the time.

27 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Your psychiatric
28 illness may recur, in the surgical patient it may not.

29 DR. DOYLE: Yes. I have just, for
30 instance, seen a patient in a general hospital in this



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4 city something like 16 months. Most of my patients,
5 our patients, are out of the hospital in 30 days. So
6 you can't make generalities about psychiatry.

7 You spoke also of distribution of
8 psychiatrists. In 1940 I would say there were two,
9 I believe, in this city who at least allowed themselves
10 to be called psychiatrists; there were others who
11 practised psychiatry. I think there are something in
12 the neighbourhood of 100 who are in private practice
13 in metropolitan Toronto. Most of them are affiliated
14 with local work --

15 THE CHAIRMAN: One to about 20,000?

16 DR. DOYLE: They are contributing to
17 community affairs. But now in towns of 15,000, 25,000
18 psychiatrists are appearing who are doing a community
19 job of practice in places like Peterborough, which was
20 mentioned, and even smaller places. So that there is this
21 new trend towards providing medical treatment, whether
22 psychiatric or otherwise, of providing psychiatric
23 care as part of a community part of a problem in
24 community medicine.

25 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Isn't it also
26 true that you are increasingly more in demand on the
27 part of the patients themselves than every before.
28 There was a time when one was suspected with too much
29 of his imagination, he felt he was wrongly understood.
30 Now a great more people go to psychiatrists than
originally because they suspect they have such difficulties
that demand a psychiatrist. Isn't there an increasing
demand on the part of the individual patients?



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4 DR. DOYLE: Yes, there is.

5 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Which is a
6 reversal of the situation some years ago insofar as
7 the public image is concerned.

8 DR. HENDERSON: This is something
9 that is particularly apparent to me in planning and
10 assisting the development of mental health clinics in
11 the province. The demand has increased tremendously
12 in the last few years. As a matter of fact, of the
13 24 services that the provincial government happens to
14 operate, over half of them were established in the last
15 ten years, which is some indication of the trend you
16 speak of.

17 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And people have
18 lost their inhibitions?

19 DR. HENDERSON: Yes, it is much more
20 readily accepted as an essential element of medical care.
21 No question of that.
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dpw DR. SLOANE: Mr. Chairman, I would like to add a tailpiece; as psychiatry is accepted in this way and the natural evolution of general hospital care spreads, there is no suggestion that the private psychiatrists will cluster just in the metropolitan areas where they will do high-priced type of therapy. I think it must be recognized psychiatry is not all high-priced psychotherapy or highly individual psychotherapy but much wider than this. There is much evidence to show that as psychiatry can be dealt with as the rest of medicine for good or ill the psychiatrist will practise for good or ill as other members. This is not the holy couch or holy cow.

DR. GRAY: I may be wrong but I get the impression that the views of this Association in the method of compensating psychiatrists cannot have been made quite clear. This Association has not advocated any particular method of compensation such as fee-for-service.

THE CHAIRMAN: I quite understand that; they go along with the others.

DR. GRAY: On whatever basis the profession devises psychiatry will agree with it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Miller and gentlemen, we are very grateful to you for coming here. As you may well know the Commission is giving this matter of mental illness very special consideration; we have two studies being done for us by very competent men. We have one on the incidence of disease in Canada and a second by Dr. McKernacher, who is no doubt known to



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you, on the matter of the changing patterns of treatment and evaluation that can be made on whether those new patterns are going to really produce results.

Dr. McKerracher has been to England to study the situation there and we are expecting much assistance from him. I know that he is relying on Associations such as yours for a great deal of help and if he has not been in touch with you already I am sure he will be.

We would appreciate all the co-operation possible from you in this field. Thank you very much.

DR. MILLER: Thank you, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: We will adjourn now until 9.30 tomorrow morning.

--- Adjournment.

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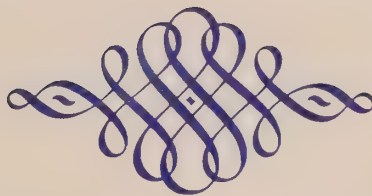
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THE SECRETARY: The next submission is that of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children. It will be Exhibit 303, and Mr. Whaley will introduce his group and then speak on the brief.

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THE ONTARIO SOCIETY FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

---EXHIBIT NO. 303: Submission of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children.

APPEARANCES:

MR. L.P. WHALEY,
MR. R. AULD,
DR. I.W. DAVIDSON,
MR. C.D. DEVLIN,
MR. I. BAIN.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Whaley.

MR. WHALEY: Mr. Chairman, lady and gentlemen, on my extreme right is Dr. Davidson our Medical Director; Mr. Auld, our Executive Director; immediately on my left is Mr. Ian Bain, Supervisor of Treatment Services and on my extreme left Mr. C.D. Devlin, a member of the Executive Committee of the Ontario Society and Chairman of the Committee who prepared the brief.

S U M M A R Y

The Ontario Society for Crippled Children welcomes the opportunity to participate in the enquiry being conducted by the Royal Commission on Health Services.



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In this brief the services provided to physically handicapped children of Ontario by this Society are described. The main points in this brief are summarized below.

(1) The Ontario Society for Crippled Children, directly and in co-operation with other public and private community organizations provides comprehensive rehabilitation services for approximately 15,000 physically handicapped children in Ontario.

(2) The Society's definition of a crippled child is a child under nineteen years of age whose musculo-skeletal activity is restricted for any reason. In practice, the Medical Advisory Committee is prepared to consider any physically handicapped child for service if a referring physician believes that the Society is able to provide appropriate treatment or other services for the child's particular condition and need.

(3) In order to co-ordinate the services for handicapped children and adults and prevent unnecessary gaps in services, the Ontario Society for Crippled Children has established with the Rehabilitation Foundation for the Disabled a Joint Action Committee which facilitates the transfer of patients from the Society to the Foundation at the age of nineteen years.

(4) While government financial assistance helped in the establishment of the Ontario Society forty years ago, government funds today constitute only 4% of the total revenue of the Society. At the present time 96% of the total budget of about \$1,500,000 is received through voluntary public donation.

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rized below.

(1) The Society is the largest and
most comprehensive and in some respects the only
and private non-profit organization providing comprehensive

physiotherapy services in Ontario.
(2) The Society's activities are a wide range of

which is a child's first experience of age where muscular
sketches, activity is restricted for a reason. In
practice, the Society is the only organization prepared to
provide physiotherapy in the home. While the Society is
a national organization, it believes that the Society is able to
and its comprehensive treatment or other services for the
child's physical condition and needs.

(3) The Society is a non-profit organization. The services
it provides are not for profit and are not intended to provide
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(5) The Ontario Society believes that the record of its service to many thousands of crippled children over the past forty years and the confidence and support which the public continues to invest in the Society are testimonials to the essential role that voluntary health agencies can and do play in the community. The Society, however, does not believe that voluntary agencies alone can or should meet all the needs of any group of the general population.

The Ontario Society for Crippled Children believes its efforts must be complementary to governmental health and welfare programs based on a foundation of sound legislation, dynamic administration and financial participation by government geared to the changing needs of a growing population of physically handicapped children.

That, sir and Members, is our summary.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Whaley. Are there some aspects of the summary or the brief itself that you would like to expand upon now?

MR. WHALEY: Not at the present moment, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: In Paragraph 1 of your summary you say your organization provides rehabilitation services for approximately 15,000 physically handicapped children. Have you an estimate of the number of physically handicapped children in Ontario?

MR. WHALEY: Mr. Auld will answer that, sir.

MR. AULD: Mr. Chairman, it is rather



(a) The Institute believes that

the record of its service to the thousands of crippled

children over the past twenty years and the confidence

and support which the public continues to invest in the

activity are too valuable to be essential to the

voluntary basis of the organization and its place in the

community. The Institute, however, does not believe that

voluntary agencies alone can or should meet all the needs

of any group in the general population.

The Institute is for the benefit of the

children and believes that efforts must be made to

governmental health and welfare programs based on a

foundation of sound legislation, efficient administration

and financial participation by government limited to the

stopping point of a sound population of physically

handicapped children.

That, in summary, is our summary.

The Chairman: Thank you very much.

Mr. Wadsworth: I have some aspects of the summary on

the subject of the Institute to explain to you now.

Mr. Wadsworth: Let us begin with the present moment.

The Institute is a voluntary organization of

children and young people, providing rehabilitation

services for disabled children and young people.

Children, however, are not the only group of disabled

persons who are interested in the Institute.

Mr. Wadsworth: The Institute is a voluntary

organization, it is a



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difficult to either estimate or have an accurate count of the number of children because, unfortunately, the Society does not have the means whereby we can record all of the physically handicapped in the Province. We have made an attempt through our surveys and our local community resources to establish all the needy crippled children in the Province, and on this basis we have to date found and are looking after 15,000. We would hope that some means would be found whereby somebody with the proper authority ...

THE CHAIRMAN: Some registry, but that hasn't been developed as yet.

MR. AULD: No, sir, not in this Province.

THE CHAIRMAN: How have you found 15,000? This is a very substantial figure.

MR. AULD: Well, we have fortunately, sir, a long record based on the fact that we are associated with 226 service clubs situated in all the communities right across the Province and they, in fact, are our local agents and in cooperation with the clubs and our field service composed of 27 public health nurses we find these cases either on the basis of direct surveys where we ask the community to refer all known cases to central sources or by virtue of the public relations campaign conducted by service clubs and the Society. Interested citizens or parents refer these children to us for assistance and, of course, naturally we get many of our cases through the medical profession itself, the family physician.



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THE CHAIRMAN: Once the case becomes known, what is the procedure then?

MR. AULD: It could vary, sir, depending on the circumstances, but generally, for example, if an interested neighbour refers the child we contact his family physician and we deal with him to determine what he feels is required for that particular patient and if we have the facilities that are available for that child and he okays it, we then proceed to carry out the required treatment.

THE CHAIRMAN: Just what do you mean by carry out? It is surgical treatment of some kind, I take it, it may or may not be, but it involves this child and some form of rehabilitation service.

MR. AULD: Perhaps Dr. Davidson, our Medical Director, would like to answer this question.

DR. DAVIDSON: Mr. Chairman, it may be any type of medical treatment, medical or surgical, or it may be one of the other services that the Society provides for crippled children quite apart from medical or surgical care. Our concern is to see that the child gets these services that are provided by the medical profession in those cases where the family has not been able to find the means to provide them. In other words, we will assist them in getting the proper medical and surgical care. It may be that the family physician may like to refer that child to the Hospital for Sick Children for a particular treatment. Our district nurse will see to it that transportation is arranged for that child to get to the hospital or a centre, wherever



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the treatment is to be provided. If it is a question of purely rehabilitation service or at the local treatment centre, there again there are charges to be met and if the family are unable to provide and pay for these services, then the Society will see to it that the services are paid for on a fee for service basis according to whatever the tariff is in the local centre. We actually buy services for the child and transportation to areas in which they can get the particular service which may or may not be provided free for that particular patient.

MR. AULD: We have another method, sir, of determining the program. The Society conducts many diagnostic clinics right across the Province in which we send out clinical teams from the various teaching centres to the communities which we feel require this service. All the known children are brought to that clinic where they are examined by the specialist and a program is advised at that time. If it requires surgery then, of course, the child with the concurrence of the family physician is referred to the hospital that may carry out this procedure. If it requires some other form of treatment such as physio or occupational therapy, there again the case is referred with the approval of the family physician.

THE CHAIRMAN: We have been talking about the idea of a prepaid health service program. Do you see the work that you are doing being adopted into such a program, or is it something that will have to continue regardless of whatever developments for the future may be?



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MR. AULD: Sir, we haven't considered specifically that question, but I could quote an example which may typify the situation. Before the advent of the Hospital Plan the Society was involved in quite a bit of the payments of hospital bills. When this came along the release of these funds allowed ...

THE CHAIRMAN: The release of the funds that you used to pay the hospitals?

MR. AULD: That is right, sir, allowed us to move into other fields. As an example, it is a partial example, this allowed the Society to start its more active planning and production of our new crippled children's treatment centre on a Provincial basis. Then we feel that the voluntary agencies are most important working hand in hand with Government. It can move forward and provide the extra and needed service over and beyond standard things which are available to the general public.

THE CHAIRMAN: You spoke of the treatment centre, that is a new institution that was officially opened since we have been sitting here as I recall from newspaper articles. Was that provided by the Provincial Government, the building, how did it come about?

DR. DAVIDSON: Mr. Chairman, the Ontario Crippled Children's Centre is a public hospital within the terms of the Act and comes within the regulations set down under the Ontario Hospital Services Commission. It was conceived by the Ontario Society for Crippled Children. They appointed a campaign committee



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that raised the necessary funds to build that as one does in a hospital anywhere in the Province and received the usual Federal and Provincial grants according to the number of beds and out-patient space and so on that was available. Therefore, the money and the planning of it, the money was raised by a special campaign under the direction of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, and the Ontario Society for Crippled Children has a very specific interest in this centre, in that many of the services which are provided on day basis, on an out-patient basis which are not presently covered under the Ontario Hospital Services Plan are purchased, in fact, by the Society for the children whose parents are unable to pay for this service.

THE CHAIRMAN: How many children can the treatment centre accommodate as in-patients?

DR. DAVIDSON: We have 105 beds at the moment, sir, and we have accommodation facilities for treating up to 300 on day care basis, out-patient program.

THE CHAIRMAN: I know you haven't been able to do this on a Province-wide basis, but in a smaller area, say the area of Metropolitan Toronto, are you able to forecast in any way what the incidence of this -- it isn't a disease -- off this condition may be expected to be so as to be able to plan for the future?

DR. DAVIDSON: Well, Mr. Chairman, to give some direction as to the size of our building, the out-patient or day care program as we call it, was making provision of services for those children suffering



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from disability as a result of cerebral palsy in the City of Toronto at that time and surrounding Metro area.

THE CHAIRMAN: 2,000,000 population.

DR. DAVIDSON: Yes, in the Metro area, there were two centres in existence providing a day care program. One was the Junior League, the Cerebral Palsy Treatment Centre Clinic and the other was the St. Paul's Cerebral Palsy Treatment Centre, and these two units were providing care for approximately 75 children up to nineteen years of age. In our planning these two units were to be absorbed into the program of the Ontario Crippled Children's Centre; it was felt as far as the cerebral palsy group of children were concerned that this might certainly be enlarged with added facilities. We have only been in operation a matter of a few months and we are roughly running about one-third more than that, just under 100, so at the moment we haven't refused any applications from Metropolitan Toronto.



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area. The total population of the Metro area, including the City of Toronto, was 2,000,000. There were two centres in the area providing a day care program. One was in Unionville, the Cerebral Palsy Program Centre. The other was the St. Paul's Hospital, Bayview Hospital Centre, and there were two units providing care for approximately 75 children up to nineteen years of age. In our planning these two units were to be absorbed into the program of the Cerebral Palsy Centre; it was felt as far as the needs of day care of children were concerned that the two units could be merged with the Cerebral Palsy Centre. We were then in operation a matter of a few months and we were really running about twenty units at that time, just under 100, so at the moment we haven't received any applications from Toronto.



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It is our hope, of course, that our day care program will involve all children with crippling conditions that come within our definition, and it was on that basis of 100, and a very rough figure is that approximately 30% of our crippled children that we take care of suffered from cerebral palsy when our estimate of 300 was made on an out-patient basis, and we felt that this would be sufficient for our needs in metropolitan Toronto for a period of time.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well then, with an overall population of 6 million-plus for the province, assuming pretty well the same incidence for the province, what about the other parts of the province? Are they being served?

MR. AULD: The Society, in 1948, started the first residential cerebral palsy centre just outside of London, more or less as a pilot plan, because there was not too much interest in this particular aspect at that time, and because we were only able to operate 8 months a year. We sent out the professional staff to most of the major communities in the province, and they examined and assessed all of the cerebral palsied children in these particular areas, and as a result of this impetus there have been quite a number of local treatment centres established, with the support, and in many cases, the active support today of our various clubs and societies.

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THE CHAIRMAN: Well then, with an

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4 the new centre was conceived with the idea of providing
5 a focal point for those children that were unable to
6 attend these local resources.

7 So that the new centre does not, in any
8 way, supplant the local services that are going on
9 across the province. It is supplementary and complemen-
10 tary to the overall, broad program that we envisage
11 right across the whole province, so that we, in every
12 way, try to maintain and encourage local services, and
13 the Society is in back of that, to stand by and provide
14 and fill in those needs that are beyond the resources
15 or capabilities of any particular community.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Well, do you foresee
17 that some time in the future, either in a year or a
18 little more distant, that there will have to be addi-
19 tional treatment centres at some other parts of the
20 province, either in the south-west or the north-east,
21 something like that?

22 MR. AULD: Mr. Bain, who is particularly
23 acquainted with this subject, perhaps would like to
24 answer that question, sir.

25 MR. BAIN: Mr. Chairman, it is
26 difficult to know at any time what the need might be
27 in any particular community. The Society has, on
28 occasion, been asked by various communities to examine
29 their local needs for treatment, because in many cases
30 the treatment centre in a community will serve a fringe
area outside the community itself, and this involves
problems of transportation, generally done by volunteers,

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and as a result of this, other smaller communities have asked us, is there a need in our area for a treatment centre, and is it possible for us to have it, and on the basis of this we will go into that centre, examine their apparent needs, based on the records the nurse has on that area, and also the ability to raise the funds and provide the staff.

With that information we are able to advise the community whether in our view it is feasible for them to have a local community treatment centre.

It would be difficult, I think, for us to visualize at the moment any particular area which appears to be in need of a treatment centre and able to provide one.

THE CHAIRMAN: I perhaps didn't make myself plain. I am not talking about today. In a forecast population growth, a forecast from the incidence of cerebral palsy, what do you foresee as going to be the needs for Ontario, say, in the next 20 years, or have you been able to give any thought, any real thought, to what the needs are going to be by 1980 or 1990, because we are looking forward now to at least that time period?

MR. AULD: I would say, sir, that we now have centres in the major centres in the province, but some of these smaller communities are rapidly expanding, and we already have inquiries from them, so I would say that within a reasonable length of time certainly there is going to be demand and a need to increase the treatment centre facilities across the



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With that information we are able to advise the community whether or not they should be able to have a local community treatment center. It could be difficult, I think, for

us to visualize at the moment any particular area which appears to be in need of a treatment center and also to provide one.

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY: Perhaps didn't make

myself clear, I was not talking about today. In a forecast population growth, a forecast from the incidence of cerebral palsy, what do you suppose we need to be the needs for future, say, in the next 20 years, or have you been able to make any forecast, any real forecast, to what the needs are going to be by 1980 or 1985, and are looking forward now to at least that time period?

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY: Well, I would say, yes, that we now have centers in the nation centers in the provinces, but some of these smaller communities are really expanding, and we already have centers from them, so I would say that within a reasonable length of time certainly there is going to be demand and a need to increase the treatment center facilities and also the



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3 province, and taking almost a guess, sir, I would say
4 that, based on the length of time you suggested, probably
5 there would be a 50% increase in the number of centres
6 across the province.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: Now then, we come to
8 your Recommendations 4 and 5, where you speak of the
9 present financing, 4% from government funds and 96%
10 from voluntary public donation, and you go on to say:

11 "The Society does not believe that
12 voluntary agencies alone can or
13 should meet all the needs of any
14 group."

15 By "any group" you mean the crippled
16 children group here? Would you expand on that, and
17 tell us what you think will be the development and
18 the needs in this next 15 to 20 or 25-year period?

19 MR. AULD: Well, sir, when we refer to
20 the Society only receiving 4% of its total revenue from
21 governmental sources, this does not take into account
22 the fact that the treatment centres across the province
23 receive federal health grants.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: You told us that the
25 children in the centre are paid for as ordinary
26 patients?

27 MR. AULD: No, sir. This is the only
28 centre that is classed as a hospital. The other 21
29 centres are classed as straight treatment centres, and
30 are in receipt of money from the federal health grants
to the extent, I believe, of 141,000 dollars.

Those centres are, as I recall it,



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provision, and that is almost a year, say, I would say that, based on the length of time you suggested, probably there would be a 5% increase in the number of centres across the province.

THE CHAIRMAN: Now then, we come to your recommendations 4 and 5, where you speak of the present financing of the government funds and 88% from voluntary contributions, and you go on to say: "The Ministry does not believe that voluntary agencies alone can or should meet all the needs of any

or "any other" you mean the orphaned children of the land? Would you expand on that, and tell us what you think will be the development and the needs in the next 10 to 20 or 25-year period? The Ministry will, say, when we refer to the Ministry only receiving 18% of its total revenue from government sources, this does not take into account the fact that the treatment centres receive the majority of their income from private sources.

THE CHAIRMAN: You told us that the children in the centres are used for an advisory

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I would say, sir, if the full impact of the federal health grants was brought into play, these centres certainly could expand and develop their services where they would be truly comprehensive within their community, and enable them to carry out a full program for their children.

Now, if the population keeps increasing the way it is and we keep expanding, I would say that within maybe a 5 or 10-year period, that probably this money would have to be doubled in terms of their total expenditures, so perhaps we are talking in terms of a million-and-a-half dollars for these treatment centres, and we would hope that the federal health grants, or whatever source it is coming from, would be in proportion to that.

THE CHAIRMAN: Then what about the operations of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, where you have a budget of 1,500,000?

MR. AULD: Well, based, sir, on past experience, our budget has gone up fairly rapidly in the last 10 years, and our caseload has more than doubled in the last 10 years, so again, we must assume on that basis, if the present rate holds, that our budget and our caseload would be doubled again in a 10-year period.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you anticipate that you will be able to carry on in the future as you have



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expenditures, so because we are talking in terms of a
million-dollar bill dollars for these treatment centers,
and we would have to have the federal health service, or
however source it is coming from, would be in position
to do that.
The only way I can see about this
operating one of the Federal Society for Cerebral Palsies,
where you have a budget of \$500,000.
Well, sir, on past
experience, our budget has come in fairly heavily in
the past 10 years, and our budget has more than
doubled in the last 10 years, so again, we need money
on that scale, if the present rate holds, that our budget
and our services would be doubled again in 10 years
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you will be able to carry on in the future as you have



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done in the past, principally, or almost entirely,
through public donation?

MR. AULD: I am afraid that is a rather difficult question to answer, sir. It depends on public support, which we have certainly enjoyed in the past. With our type of fund-raising campaign, which is a direct mail campaign, there is no pressure on the public whatsoever to contribute to the Society, therefore, based on experiences elsewhere on direct mail campaigns, I would say that on the basis of the present population, that we are getting pretty close to the limit of what we can expect.

As a matter of fact, our record is most outstanding on the continent in terms of a direct mail campaign, so I can see where we are reaching a limit until the population takes a rapid jump, so certainly we would hope to have, or expect, a rather better and closer partnership with the governmental sources.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Whaley, you are speaking of approximately servicing 15,000 physically handicapped children in Ontario, and I understood from you that these are needy 15,000 handicapped children. Could you define for us what you mean by needy?

DR. DAVIDSON: Mr. Chairman, to Mr. Firestone's question, our definition of need is that the child is in need of this particular service at this particular time. It does not necessarily mean that the family, the parents, are on a municipality's



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indigent list, but it does mean that the family at that particular time and their particular circumstances are not apparently able to provide that service.

In many cases, these families, as circumstances change a little later on, attempt, in some way, to repay part of what has been provided; not always, but in most cases we have -- but in all cases, first of all, we have a means of assessing the apparent ability to pay. That is gone into very carefully by, first of all, our District Nursing Office and also by the members of the Crippled Children's Committee of the local Easter Seal Club, which is our Society in that particular community, and they investigate the ability to pay and what the family's circumstances are at that particular time.



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5 making \$60.00 a week and he has got five or six other
6 children and maybe certain other demands; he is
7 mortgaged heavily, he has a lot of payments to finance
8 companies, and he has a brace that is to cost \$275.00
9 and at that particular time the father hasn't got
10 \$275.00, nor can he see in the immediate future to
provide that brace. To us that child is needy.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Has your
12 Ontario Association established a means which the
13 administrative officers or nurse, whoever does the
14 investigation, uses in order to decide need
not?

15 MR. AULD: Based on an individual
16 basis. It is left largely to the discretion of the
17 nurse working in co-operation with the local service
18 club, Easter Seal Service Club, and they base it entirely
19 on the circumstances of the family. So that even if
20 a man may be having a relatively good income, if there
21 are circumstances whereby he is financially embarrassed,
22 despite the fact that on the surface he is well able
23 to pay this, if this equipment or treatment is going
24 to affect the balance of the family, then we feel we
have a responsibility and duty to assist this family.

25 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If, for
26 example, the investigating officer concludes that the
27 family can afford to pay part of the cost of the
28 expenses, do you have an arrangement whereby you assess
part of the cost?

29 MR. AULD: It is not actually an
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It may well be that the father is

making \$10.00 a week and he has not five or six other

children and quite certainly other dependents; he is

not married heavily, he has a lot of payments to finance

himself, and he has a house that is to cost \$25.00

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to affect the balance of the family, then we feel we

have a responsibility and duty to assist this family.

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5 a treatment service program or \$20.00 towards a pair
6 of braces, we ask them if they can pay this. It is if
7 they can pay this.

8 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In other
9 words, you use your judgment in the various cases?

10 MR. AULD: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What happens
12 if a family who is in an income position who can afford
13 to pay for this service but they like this rehabilita-
14 tion service you provide to children and they come
15 to you and ask you: "Will you take my child in? We will
16 pay for the service."

17 MR. AULD: We have a number of
18 instances of that.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You would
20 accept the child?

21 MR. AULD: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If it is
23 physically handicapped?

24 MR. AULD: Yes.

25 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: May I now
26 come to paragraph 75 on page 17, sir? You say:

27 "Much remains to be done in the
28 "co-ordination of services for the
29 "handicapped, among private health
30 "agencies themselves, and between
"voluntary agencies and government
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MR. WHALEY: Mr. Auld will answer.

MR. AULD: Mr. Chairman, the Society has no formal relationship with either the provincial or federal government, but we do work very closely with the various departments, both federally and provincially and we are in constant contact with the responsible officers. Also members of the Society are on various advisory groups to the government; for example, the new Vocational and Rehabilitation Act which is coming into this province, we have a member of our Society sitting on the advisory committee to the Minister of Welfare. We are also in constant touch with the Health Department, and in the case of any problems in relation to either a specific case or generally, we know who to deal with and attempt to find a satisfactory answer as applied to that particular case.

By the same token, at the federal level, in terms of getting interpretations of the various acts and orders-in-council which make available certain monies for this kind of work, again we are able to call directly to the responsible party and ask for the interpretation.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Auld, this paragraph, 75, suggests that much remains to be done in co-ordination between voluntary agencies and the government as a whole. Can you suggest some specific areas where increased co-ordination and co-operation can be achieved?



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5 sir, if there was some way whereby we could be less
6 departmentalized than we are now which would enable
7 us to move forward on a total program for the individual
8 child. For example, there are federal health grants
9 regulated by an order-in-council through the health
10 and welfare department in Ottawa, and then we move
11 over to the Department of Labour who is administering
12 the new Vocational and Rehabilitation Act. In practice
13 all these things dovetail in terms of working out
14 and formulating a program for a child or young adult.
15 But you have to step over a wall in effect to bring this
16 whole thing into effect and practice in the field.

17 And the same thing applies at the
18 provincial level where again it is broken down into
19 health, welfare and education. We would hope, sir, that
20 both at the federal and provincial level all these
21 aspects of a rehabilitation program can be brought under
22 one central force so that there would be a flow whenever
23 the child becomes crippled until finally a solution is
24 found for that particular person.

25 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In principle
26 this is a very appealing suggestion, but I am just
27 trying to visualize how this would work in practice.
28 You say you wish to have federal government contributions
29 less departmentalized. At the provincial level would
30 you like to see a transfer of vocational functions
transferred to the Welfare Department, Labour Department?

MR. AULD: I don't know what the
eventual solution would be. But, as an example, we are



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4 co-ordination about, and on the federal level the
5 Canadian Council for Crippled Children and Adults, of
6 which we are a member, is working with the Polio
7 Foundation, that is nationally, and they will be coming
8 about very shortly. The Canadian Rehabilitation Council
9 is going to draw together the various organizations
10 concerned with rehabilitation where they can sit down
11 and formulate an overall program for the handicapped
12 persons, and I would hope that a similar pattern could
13 be developed at the government level so you would have
14 inter-departmental committees which would deal with
15 these matters.

16 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I under-
17 stand you correctly, sir, then, this co-ordinating
18 function as you visualize would be achieved at the
19 planning level rather than on the operating level; is
20 that correct?

21 MR. AULD: That is right, sir.

22 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Because this
23 could be achieved through a health planning agency in
24 this particular field to which various departments might
25 send representatives to you. Or it could be achieved
26 through the effort of private organizations and public
27 organizations. But this would be co-ordination at the
28 planning level as distinct from the operating level.

29 MR. AULD: Correct, sir.

30 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You would
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3 look after its own affairs but they would co-ordinate
4 planning; is that correct?

5 MR. AULD: That is correct, sir.

6 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You say:

7 "In co-operation with all branches of
8 "government and with other voluntary
9 "organizations"

10 Can you elaborate?

11 MR. AULD: I was referring to the
12 federal level, but it is also going to the provincial
13 level. As a matter of fact, the Society already has
14 an agreement with the provincial branch of the Polio
15 Foundation. Not too many years ago we were in effect
16 developing our services, and by getting together and
17 by formalizing a co-ordinating committee we have now
18 evolved whereby the Society is responsible for crippled
19 children up to 19 years of age and then the Polio
20 Foundation takes over, and our field staff and
21 administrative staff and board level are working to
22 ensure that there is a smooth flow for the patient, so
23 in many cases the patient doesn't realize he has changed
24 from one department to another; the program still
25 carries on.

26 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: It has been
27 suggested to us that Canada should set up a national
28 health planning agency. If that agency were set up, and
29 that agency would comprise representatives from private
30 as well as public organizations and the professions,
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5 similar, but in the application of those programs there
6 are quite a number of differences. Therefore I would
7 certainly hope that even though the two of them would
8 be considered together there would be some difference
9 so that the needs of the crippled child versus the
10 needs of the crippled adult would be taken into account.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you
12 very much, sir.

13 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Mr. Chairman,
14 gentlemen, I note in paragraph 8 that cleft lip and/or
15 cleft palate are included in your definition of crippled
16 child. I note that you have had 1,237 such cases with
17 179 new cases last year. Where are these children
18 treated and is the new treatment centre equipped and
19 staffed to handle these cases?

20 MR. WHALEY: Dr. Davidson will answer
21 that, Mr. Chairman.

22 DR. DAVIDSON: Mr. Chairman, in answer
23 to Commission Strachan's question, in answer to the
24 cleft lip and cleft palate cases I would think that the
25 largest group of these cases have been treated up until
26 now in the cleft lip and cleft palate unit under the
27 Research Institute at the Hospital for Sick Children,
28 which, as you know, has been established for some time.
29 This was basically a research unit under, I believe,
30 some support from the Atkinson Foundation and is in
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COMMISSIONER: Thank you very much, sir.

JOHNSTON: Mr. Chairman, gentlemen, I note in paragraph 8 that cleft lip and cleft palate are included in your definition of crippled child. I note that you have had 1,737 such cases with 179 new cases last year. Where are these children treated and is the new treatment center equipped and staffed to handle these cases?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Johnston will answer that, Mr. Chairman.

MR. JOHNSTON: Mr. Chairman, in answer to the question Mr. Johnston's question, in answer to the cleft lip and cleft palate cases I would like to say that the latest group of these cases have been treated up until now in the cleft lip and cleft palate unit under the direction of the Hospital for Sick Children, which, as you know, has been established for some time. This was originally a research unit under, I believe, some support from the American Association and is in the process at the moment of being changed to a clinical unit, I believe.



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4 lip and cleft palate cases treated in some of the
5 centres, particularly Ottawa, the head of the lakes
6 and Sudbury, and we have had a cleft palate unit team
7 from the Hospital for Sick Children go to these various
8 areas to assist in establishing their particular program.

9 The Ontario Crippled Children's
10 Centre is very much interested in this particular program,
11 and we will be and are in the process of setting up a
12 program for the cleft lip and cleft palate program at
13 the Cripple Centre. This is by mutual arrangement with
14 the present cleft lip and cleft palate unit at the
15 Hospital for Sick Children, and the professor and his
16 staff of the Faculty of Dentistry at our dental college
17 here.
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DR. DAVIDSON: These three units will, in fact, complement one another. The Hospital for Sick Children, first of all, in this unit, does not take care of all the present health problems of the province and some of them will be referred directly to our centre. The Dental College, Dental Faculty, are interested in this basically from a teaching program and for facilities for teaching that they don't particularly wish to set up in their own centre from a treatment point of view because they don't have sufficient research and post-graduate dental men to involve themselves in this program.

Basically our staff will be the same in the three units. Our pedodontist is half-time on the Faculty of Dentistry in the University of Toronto and half-time with the centre. The orthodontist is presently involved in the university program in the Hospital for Sick Children. We expect to have another orthodontist when he returns from his post-graduate work, who will probably work in all three units.

As far as our plastic surgeons are concerned, our plastic surgeons are also members of the research institute unit on the Hospital for Sick Children and we have, additionally, plastic surgeons from the city who are on other hospitals are interested in this work, so that we anticipate this will be a very major aspect of our program, particularly in relation to the orthodontic and post-dontic problems that will arise.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Thank you, sir.



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In reference to your treatment service in paragraph 15, many factors are mentioned. Do you give your regular patients normal dental treatment and where is it given, how do they receive it?

DR. DAVIDSON: At the Ontario Crippled Children's Centre our dental staff are interested, first of all, in the oral hygiene of the children in the hospital. That is their first concern. Their second concern is, as far as our dental department is concerned, any child who has a major problem as far as dental work is concerned, and I am thinking particularly of those children with cerebral palsy, particularly the apathoid where it is impossible to get that child into a dental chair under ordinary circumstances. He may be referred by his dentist to our centre so that the child may have that dental care, under those particular circumstances, and our dental department is set up to provide general anaesthesia for the child with a proper recovery room and the necessary facilities.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: That was the answer I was hoping to hear.

DR. DAVIDSON: You may be interested to know, sir, our Advisory Committee is a Medical-Dental Committee.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Just a couple of minor points. One is No. 30, regarding your camps. I happen to be especially interested in the camps because I initiated a camp in New Brunswick. How long are the children kept in these camps?

MR. AULD: It depends on the age group,



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Center.
Dr. [Name] of [Name] was a couple
of years ago. He is now 30, working in our center.
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3 sir, but in most cases it is for a three-week period.
4 We start in on June 9th of this year with a young
5 adult group for two weeks, and then we swing into the
6 children for the balance of the season, again usually
7 a three-week period.

8 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: You have
9 separate camps for the boys and girls or do you have
10 mixed camps?

11 MR. AULD: We have five camps altogether,
12 sir, and one of which we have been conducting mixed
13 groups in the younger years, in other words, the 7 to
14 9, 10. We have been mixing them as an experiment and
15 it has worked out very well and we are considering
expanding this into the other camps.

16 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Do you have a
17 rehabilitation program carried out during that three-
18 week period?

19 MR. AULD: No, sir.

20 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Arts and
21 crafts and so on?

22 MR. AULD: It is an informal program,
23 sir. There are no formal therapies carried out at our
24 camps at all. What we try to do is to put into practice
25 in an informal way all the things that have been going
26 on in their formal treatment program during the balance
27 of the year. As an example, by virtue of a baseball
28 game, the very things the child has been learning or
29 trying to learn in the physiotherapy department, the
30 counsellors try to encourage that particular child to
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COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Your camp administrators; do they have special training courses? I don't mean the counsellors. I mean the administrators of the camp.

MR. AULD: All of our camp directors, sir, are nurses who either have had previous experience in camps or, if they haven't, we give them some form of indoctrination.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Turning now to your next section, Section 32, your special holidays for severely handicapped. What form does that holiday take?

MR. AULD: Depending on the need, sir, it is for the very severely involved child who is not going to get too much benefit out of a full camp program. We either arrange for a homemaker to go into the home and thereby relieve the mother, particularly the mother, and the rest of the family, enabling them to get away for a holiday, or we can arrange for a boarding home under our supervision for that particular child for two, three or longer weeks depending on the need of, mostly, the mother.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Is that service very large?

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COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Is that service

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MR. WULF: It is a very small unit in effect

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believe there were 80 cases and it is expanding all the time as it becomes known.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Baltzan?

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Gentlemen, your work can be divided into two very large sections: one is corrective and the other is restorative rehabilitation; am I right in that, sir?

MR. AULD: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And the corrective can go from foot to head, say, from bunions and club feet to hydrocephalus?

MR. AULD: That is right.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: When this vital surgery or orthopaedic surgery or dental surgery has to be performed on your children up to 19 years of age, is it a great strain on your resources, I mean your financial resources?

DR. DAVIDSON: Mr. Chairman, in answer to Dr. Baltzan's question, we are in the very happy position that our physicians and surgeons do not make any charge for this surgical procedure to the Ontario Society. We don't pay the medical and surgical fees as such. These are generally done on a public ward service in our various hospitals or if they are not done they are generally done by the physician or surgeon without charge.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: As a gratuity and a contribution to your work?

DR. DAVIDSON: As a contribution to his community, yes.



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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Thank you.

Just one other minor point: on page 3, I don't seem to understand in 9(1) these figures exclude children in the City of Toronto who are visited by public health nurses in the Department of Health.

MR. AULD: Sir, we have an arrangement whereby the Department of Health of the City of Toronto assumes the responsibility for visiting the crippled children in the city. However, if the public health nurse feels that there is a particular problem that requires attention then she calls on our own public nurses who have special training in this line so that we don't take exactly the same responsibility in the City of Toronto as we do in the rest of the province.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: When it comes to offering treatment or instituting rehabilitation procedures, it is still available?

DR. DAVIDSON: Our services are available.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: All your services are available to the children in Toronto?

DR. DAVIDSON: Correct, sir.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: That is fine. Thank you, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Whaley, Dr. Davidson and gentlemen. As you can appreciate, we are greatly interested in the work of your Society. We are impressed with the devotion to the work the Society is carrying out by the many volunteers who work for it. We are grateful to you for

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having prepared this brief which contains a lot of
information that we haven't dealt with specifically
but which will be of value to our research people.

Thank you for your attendance here
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MR. WHALEY: Thank you, sir, for
your kind indulgence in listening to us. We do repre-
sent a very large group in the province of voluntary
workers. We are pleased to be here. Thank you.



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THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the next submission is that of the Ontario Association for Emotionally Disturbed Children. It will be known as Exhibit 304 and will be taken into the record. As it is only four pages I would suggest the total submission be placed on the record.

THE CHAIRMAN: What about the appendices attached?

THE SECRETARY: I would suggest the appendices be carried as part of the exhibit.

THE CHAIRMAN: We will make the appendices Exhibit 304A and only 304 goes into the record.

--- EXHIBIT NO. 304: Submission of the Ontario Association for Emotionally Disturbed Children.

--- EXHIBIT NO. 304A: Appendices to above submission.

SUBMISSION OF THE ONTARIO ASSOCIATION FOR
EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED CHILDREN.

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Commission:

1. The Association (Appendix A)

The Ontario Association for Emotionally Disturbed Children is an association chartered by the Province of Ontario as a charitable organization to work for its avowed aims towards:

(1) greater understanding in the community for emotionally disturbed children; and

(2) help in establishing and maintaining



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facilities for diagnosis, research, immediate treatment and education of, and for training of mentally ill children.

2. Our membership includes parents, psychiatrists, social workers, teachers and other persons, professionally and non-professionally involved in the care of emotionally disturbed children. The core is the parents of severely disturbed children.

3. We respectfully present this brief as a lay view of the questions faced by parents of, and workers for emotionally disturbed or mentally ill children.

4. Incidence and Description (Appendix B)

It is believed in the Western world, where statistics are available, that about 7% to 10% of the child population will need some form of mental or emotional help, that 4% to 6% are seriously maladjusted, and that 1% to 2% are extremely disturbed.

This means that, in the school systems, four or five children in the average classroom will need individual assistance, and that two or three children will be seriously handicapped by reason of emotional problems.

5. In addition, there are many children who are entirely excluded from the school systems, and who are so seriously disturbed as to be grouped with the defective and retarded children. Of these, some are kept at home without service; a few are sent to special schools, privately established, where fees range from \$4,500 to \$6,000 annually; a small number, wards of Children's Aid Societies, are sent to



residential treatment centres; but a great many are inappropriately placed in custodial care in the Ontario Hospital Schools.

6. Present Facilities

In the seriously overcrowded and understaffed conditions in which they operate, the Ontario Hospital Schools are doing the best that can be done. But there are many children in the Hospital Schools who would benefit from psychiatric treatment, but who now receive little or none.

7. There is in Ontario, one hospital for the treatment of mentally ill children at Thistle-town, its maximum capacity, dismayingly inadequate, 65. The Department of Health has also established a Psychiatric Research Institute in London, one of whose functions is to investigate and encourage alternate forms of care and other community services. The Department alone cannot provide, quantitatively, for emotionally disturbed children in Ontario. Individual communities will need to initiate and promote centres for this service, by the same methods which operate for general hospitals.

8. There are very few facilities in this province which provide the kind of professional skill and staff-child ratio which would classify them as residential treatment centres. Treatment centres are, by design and of necessity, small, and their present aggregate population represents principally that group of very disturbed children who are wards of Children's Aid Societies. Such treatment centres receive only very minor grants and, being under the



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Department of Welfare, no hospital insurance. In consequence, the cost of sending one's own child to such a centre is prohibitive to the average parent.

9. Fields for Improved Facilities

It would appear that help for the disturbed child can best be made available to the family and community through team work by psychologist, social worker and child care worker, led by a well-trained and fully qualified psychiatrist. If this help were ready at all times, many disturbed children could be kept at home, rather than 'dumped' in hospital schools which are in many of these cases, used only for custodial care. The schools could then be used to greater benefit for the purposeful training of the retarded and brain-damaged child.

10. More local and regional teams in a province of 400,000 square miles would prevent the emotional damage to the child induced by the long-term separation from family and home where these are remote from hospital schools and treatment centres.

11. Pressure on the few clinics now established means a delay of from one to six months in reception, and a necessary but heartbreaking rejection of the case requiring long-term treatment. Establishment of more regional clinics adequately staffed, possibly attached to local hospitals or school system administrations, would relieve the pressure, cut the delay, and ensure more help for local children.

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10. More local and regional teams in a body not of 100,000 square miles would prevent the emotional damage to the child caused by the long-term separation from family and home where the child is sent from hospital, clinic and treatment centres.

11. Research on the far clinics now established need a study of how to do it in practice, and a necessary but not sufficient part of the of a scientific treatment program.

12. The present of some kind of office adequately staffed with people to local hospitals or school system, with relief for the child, and the child, and some more help for local children.

13. It is not a child's right to

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awareness, in physicians, teachers and other adults working with children, an awareness that would lead to much earlier diagnosis. Early diagnosis could lead to a much shorter term of necessary treatment, and to a better chance of total rehabilitation.

13. The knowledge gained by the work of regional clinics would help in the research vitally necessary in finding the answers to the problems of caring for the emotionally disturbed child.

14. Recommendations

This Association therefore respectfully submits that the following needs require urgent consideration:

(a) Greater in-training inducements for the child psychiatrist, who, to be fully qualified, must go through at least five years post-graduate work, and seven if he wishes to be a qualified paediatrician as well;

(b) Greater inducements and more training opportunities for the child care worker, in order that standards of care may be steadily improved (Appendix C);

(c) Greater facilities for local and regional mental health teams to operate under the leadership of qualified psychiatrists.

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- (b) Greater inducements and more exciting opportunities for the child care worker, in order that at least one of care may be readily improved (Appendix C);
- (c) Greater facilities for local and regional mental health teams to operate under the present law.



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THE SECRETARY: The next submission, sir, is the Canadian Public Health Association. It will be known as Exhibit 305 and Dr. E.J. Young will introduce his group.



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---EXHIBIT NO. 305: Submission of the
Canadian Public Health
Association.

SUBMISSION OF
CANADIAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

APPEARANCES: Dr. W.G. Brown
Dr. J.E.F. Hastings
Dr. E.J. Young

DR. YOUNG: Mr. Chairman, my colleagues
are Dr. Gordon Brown on my left, who is the President
of the Canadian Public Health Association, and Dr.
John Hastings on my right, a Member of our Committee
which prepared this brief.

I would like, when it comes to
question time, to call on them to answer appropriate
questions, so I will proceed with our summary statement.

The Canadian Public Health Association
is a national professional health organization. Its
headquarters is here in Toronto.

The objects of the Canadian Public
Health Association as stated in its Charter are "The
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and diffusion throughout Canada of the knowledge of
public health and preventive medicine and all other
matters and things appertaining thereto, or connected
therewith".

The members of the Association belong
to all the disciplines concerned with the health of the

Submission of the
Canadian Public Health
Association.

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MEMORANDUM OF

CANADIAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Dr. J. E. F. Harrison
Dr. E. J. Young

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4 people of Canada and include physicians, dentists,
5 veterinarians, engineers, laboratory scientists, nurses,
6 health service administrators, statisticians, health
7 educators, social scientists, sanitary inspectors and
8 others. Included are members of official health agencies
9 at all levels of government, professional and technical
10 persons who are engaged in a broad area of health services,
11 members of voluntary agencies and a number of interested
12 lay people who are concerned with the general health and
13 well being of the public. Some of our members are
14 associated with educational and research institutions.

15 The Canadian Public Health Association
16 is a national organization. It is apparent from its
17 objects and the multi-discipline nature of its membership
18 that it has a broad field of interest in the health of the
19 people of Canada. Detailed information regarding the
20 development, organization, philosophy and scope of
21 activities of the Association are contained in the
22 Appendix.

23 The Association does not intend in
24 this Brief to attempt to deal with all the elements
25 of health services or health needs but rather with
26 those features which it considers itself to be in a
27 unique position to present and which it feels call for
28 particular emphasis. Furthermore, the Association does
29 not propose in this Brief to duplicate or combine the
30 thinking of those of its provincial branches, divisions
or affiliated associations who have or will be speaking
for themselves concerning their own specific provincial
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4 While the Association proposes to
5 focus attention on needs, it also wishes to record its
6 belief that very great progress has been made in Canada
7 in the health field. However, our accomplishment must
8 not lead to complacency and the future holds great
9 challenge and opportunity.

10 The material in this Brief will be
11 set out in the following order, first a summary of
12 conclusions and recommendations followed by information
13 supporting each of these. Further details are contained
14 in an appendix.

15 Conclusions and Recommendations

16 The Canadian Public Health Association
17 believes that Canada should adopt a more positive
18 philosophy towards health. It considers that services
19 for prevention and public health need a great deal more
20 support, and it recommends to the Commission that these
21 features receive emphasis in its proposals. Furthermore,
22 it believes it will be extremely important to assure
23 a proper balance in the future development of health
24 services in Canada. It urges that any proposals in
25 this regard stress the development of services, training
26 and research and are not confined to fiscal proposals.

27 The Canadian Public Health Association
28 believes that health legislation in Canada requires a
29 complete overhaul. It is assuming a "patchwork"
30 character. Many of the statutes are obsolete, cumbersome and require complicated interpretation and frequently make it difficult to achieve the objectives of the health program. In a Federal State such as

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1. Introduction and background

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4 Canada it is extremely important that there be a basic
5 uniformity in health legislation to facilitate action
6 at all levels.

7 This Association fully recognizes
8 that health in Canada is a matter of provincial
9 jurisdiction and nothing in this submission is intended
10 to challenge the existing division of responsibilities.

11 This Association only advocates that
12 opportunities be provided for the provincial health
13 authorities to develop common principles and common
14 modern approaches to be embodied in the new provincial
15 health statutes.

16 Therefore the Canadian Public Health
17 Association wishes to draw to the attention of the
18 Commission, the importance of careful appraisal of
19 health legislation in Canada so that future programs
20 will not be impeded by faulty and obsolete legislation.

21 The Association believes that
22 administrative arrangements should facilitate co-ordination
23 and that fragmentation of health services responsibility
24 should be minimal and that administrative responsibility
25 should be specifically defined.

26 It therefore recommends to the
27 Commission that in its assessment of existing health
28 services and its consideration of plans to meet extended
29 or new health services needs, this fragmentation of
30 responsibility be avoided whenever possible in the
best interests of efficiency and economy.

31 The Canadian Public Health Association
32 considers that the long term planning and evaluation of
33 health arrangements are most important and deserve a



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4 great deal more attention in future. It considers
5 that health indices are required in order to appraise
6 and assess our health needs and to evaluate the
7 availability and use of health resources.

8 It therefore recommends that the
9 Royal Commission (1) Recognize (a) planning as an
10 essential part of the development and administration
11 of health services in Canada; and (b) that this
12 continuing function requires at least on the national
13 and provincial levels, full-time competent staff with
14 appropriate professional training and experience.

15 (2) Recommend support for (a) the more extensive
16 application of available health data to planning,
17 administration and evaluation of health services; (b)
18 research into the improvement of present health
19 indicators and the identification and production of
20 further indices of health needs and the effectiveness
21 of health services in meeting them.

22 (3) Recognize and emphasize the importance of evaluation
23 procedures generally and their incorporation into plans
24 for new and expanded services.

25 The Canadian Public Health Association
26 believes that there is considerable scope for effective
27 application of preventive services beyond that which
28 is presently being provided. The Association therefore
29 recommends to the Commission that in order that the
30 Canadian people may reap the full health and economic
benefits of preventive health services that these services
be given greater emphasis in terms of program, facilities
and financial support.



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The Canadian Public Health Association believes that greater emphasis should be placed on services for the control of chronic disease and the provision of comprehensive rehabilitation facilities. It considers that these phases of health services are investments that will pay rich dividends and that expenditures that may be involved will be returned many fold. It further believes that public health personnel can fulfill several useful functions in connection with these services.

The Association therefore recommends to the Commission that the relatively underdeveloped health services of chronic disease care and rehabilitation receive the emphasis and support which they obviously deserve.

With respect to mental health services as the Canadian Public Health Association believes in the following trends, namely:

- progressive integration of psychiatric with medicine,

- increased integration of psychiatric treatment services with general hospital treatment services.

- movement away from the custodial approach, attitude and type of institution,

- development of small regional psychiatric clinics and units to place diagnostic and treatment services closer to the people,

- integration of mental health facilities with all other related community facilities.



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4 are concentration on early diagnosis, early active
5 treatment and effective rehabilitation designed
6 to maintain and keep the affected person in
7 his home, his job and his community.

8 The Association therefore, recommends that when the
9 Commission is giving consideration to plans to meet
10 future needs of the Canadian people with respect to
11 mental health care that these trends be kept prominently
12 in mind.

13 The Canadian Public Health Association
14 is concerned with Health Services Research. It desires
15 to give its support to programs designed to provide
16 a comprehensive extension of medical research in Canada
17 particularly those associated with diseases of public
18 health significance. It believes that there is a need
19 specifically for "operational research" which is
20 designed to appraise and assess programs and develop
21 techniques for functional improvement. It also
22 considers that it is important to foster a career service
23 for research workers in order to attract and retain
24 competent people in Canada in this highly important
25 field.

26 The Association, therefore, recommends
27 to the Commission that it give consideration to more
28 support being provided for research of diseases of
29 public health significance, to operational research and
30 of a career service for research workers.

31 As the Canadian Public Health
32 Association believes that one of the barriers to future
33 progress will be the availability of adequately trained





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4 personnel it believes that the Commission should be
5 concerned not only with the number trained but also
6 with the type and quality of training which is being
7 provided. The Association wishes to stress the need
8 for health personnel in the many disciplines associated
9 with public health. It also considers that insufficient
10 attention is being given in the basic training of the
11 health professions in prevention and public health
12 procedures.

13 The Association therefore recommends
14 that the Commission include in its educational pro-
15 posals that undergraduates in the health disciplines
16 receive adequate training in public health and preventive
17 medicine; that the two Canadian schools of hygiene
18 be given adequate support in maintaining their existing
19 educational programs, in meeting additional needs and
20 in conducting refresher courses; and other provinces
21 in addition to Ontario and Quebec be encouraged to
22 provide facilities for the formal training of sanitary
23 inspectors and that support and encouragement be
24 given to members of the health disciplines entering
25 the fields of public health and preventive medicine.

26 The Canadian Public Health Association
27 believes that there is an urgent need for the development
28 of a career service in public health in Canada. It
29 further believes that such a service should provide
30 interesting and challenging work, opportunity for
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4 that the Commission incorporate in its recommendations
5 the development of such a service which would include
6 an assurance of interesting and challenging work;
7 opportunity for advancement; training privileges; and
8 adequate remuneration.

9 The Canadian Public Health Association
10 believes that any consideration of existing or future
11 health services in Canada should include plans for the
12 maintenance of health, prevention of disease and medical
13 care of casualties in time of disaster whether it be
14 from natural causes or as a result of international
15 events including nuclear attack.

16 In view of this belief the Association
17 recommends that the Commission in its consideration of
18 existing and future health services include emergency
19 health services and give support to the planning for
20 and organization of these services across Canada.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much
22 Dr. Young. Is there anything that you may wish to add
23 by way of comment, or either of your associates may
24 wish to add at this time?

25 DR. YOUNG: Apparently not sir.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: I am going to ask
27 Dr. Firestone if he would open the discussion on your
28 presentation here this morning.

29 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Dr. Young,
30 when I am addressing questions to you, please feel
free to call on your colleagues to answer any of the
questions as may be appropriate.

My first question relates to paragraph



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Dr. Young: Is there anything that you have said to me by way of comment, or anything of your own that you wish to add to this time?

Dr. Young: Absolutely not.

Dr. Young: I am glad to hear that.

Dr. Young: I am glad to hear that.

When I see a person who is in a position to be able to do this, I am glad to hear that.

Dr. Young: I am glad to hear that.



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2 on page 1. You say, and I quote:

"That it will be extremely important
"to assure proper balance in the future
"development of health services in
"Canada",

and the emphasis as I understand it is placed on the
phrase "proper balance", and you elaborate in paragraph
3 that the present situation apparently is not well
balanced. You point out that expenditures on public
health services are about one-fifteenth of total
expenditures on personal health services.

What would be your definition of a
proper balance? Should the ratio be changed in the
next few years to one-tenth from one-fifteenth, or
should the ratio remain? What is a proper balance in
your view?



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DR. YOUNG: Well, I think the requirement here is to look after the many gaps that there are in the health programs across the country. I think it would be pretty hard to tie it down. But in talking about this to one of our consultants we felt that if the figure here for public health services was probably doubled that would go a long way towards providing a proper balance in health services. But our main concern here was that as the health services of the country develop public health and preventive medicine is not lost sight of, and there has been so much money spent on hospital services and other things that it does not get its proper share.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You would therefore feel that if there is a program planned for the future of comprehensive health care services for Canada, that somewhat greater emphasis should be placed on public health services and preventive medicine than has been the case so far. Am I correct in that understanding?

DR. YOUNG: That is true.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And that this would be reflected in the somewhat greater proportionate increase in expenditures for public health services and related services.

DR. YOUNG: That is the Association's belief, as far as I know, sir.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: May I now turn, sir, to Page 3, Paragraph 12. You say:

"Not only is it important to provide for the



Dr. [Name], I think the

important one is to find out the new gaps that

there are in the health program and to fill them.

I think it would be pretty hard to do it today, but in

the future, I think this is one of our responsibilities.

It is not the right time for this kind of service, but

probably, I think, that would be a good way to go.

It is a proper balance in health services, and our main

concern now is that the health services be

improved, especially in health and preventive medicine.

It is not just of, and there has been so much money

spent on medical services and other things that it does

not get the proper balance.

COMMISSIONER [Name]: Yes, would

therefore feel that there is a program planned for

the future of comprehensive health care services for

all people, that somewhat greater emphasis would be placed

on both preventive services and curative medicine than

has been the case so far. Am I correct in that regard?

Dr. [Name]:

Dr. [Name]: That is true.

COMMISSIONER [Name]: And then this

would be reflected in the somewhat greater percentage

increase in expenditures for public health services and

preventive services.

Dr. [Name]: That is the intention.

Dr. [Name]: Yes, as I have said,

COMMISSIONER [Name]: May I now

turn, sir, to the question of the future?

That one is it necessary to provide for the



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co-ordination of health services, but these services need to be dovetailed with our welfare arrangements."

Now, sir, we have had some presentations made to this Commission as to the difficulties that arise, that there are various agencies concerned with different aspects of health, some health proper, in the welfare field. The question arises, how would this objective which you refer to in Paragraph 12 be achieved in practice? How do you dovetail health arrangements with welfare arrangements?

DR. YOUNG: I would ask Dr. Brown to answer that.

DR. BROWN: Mr. Chairman, our concern in this matter and our reason for referring to this item is that we in our practice are very well aware that in spite of the best medical care given to many people, for a good example, tuberculosis, it can be lost as the result of failure to provide not medical assistance, but let's say, social assistance and welfare assistance, and if the health authority has to go through formalities and red-tape and all sorts of complicated procedures to get that to the person who needs it, then you lose the ultimate aim which is your objective, and therefore, we feel that it is not a combination necessarily of administration as much as the recognition of the necessity of a very close liaison by committees or at least by intimate knowledge how the machine is to operate. The public, in other words, shouldn't suffer as a result of our failure to provide for their complete assistance, whether

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Dr. Young: I would ask Dr. Brown to

Dr. Brown: Mr. Chairman, our concern

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it be welfare or health.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Is it only the problem of coordination and cooperation, or is it perhaps due to the fact that there are gaps in providing such services. As far as the Department of Welfare is concerned, it is services to indigent people. I take it that is what you mean when you speak of coordination between health and welfare agencies.

DR. BROWN: I don't think we would confine our thinking necessarily to the indigent. However, that is perhaps the main area of interest. However, the problem is providing welfare services and whether the person is in need of welfare services or is in need of health services and vocational services, and we have reference in the brief later on to this question of fragmentation which creates the situation where the only person who really suffers is the person who is in need and he suffers as a result of our division and fragmentation of our approach and our administration, and we feel that a lot could be done to bring that together.

We are perhaps not experts in the planning thereof, but we are convinced that it must happen or should happen.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Just trying to be practical and trying to understand the application of this principle, can we take a particular case? Let's say there is a welfare case and the person is designated as an indigent by the welfare department in Ontario. That person, I understand, gets a little card or some identification to indicate that he is entitled to medical



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care services. Is that the procedure?

DR. BROWN: That is so, sir.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: That person then goes to the doctor in the case of illness and the doctor prescribes some drugs. What then does this medically indigent person do to obtain such drugs?

DR. BROWN: If he is unable to pay for this it would be provided through the Welfare Department and the cost paid by them.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Then this particular person goes back to the Welfare Department ---

THE CHAIRMAN: He doesn't get it automatically from possession of the card.

DR. BROWN: Not to my knowledge.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What does the Welfare Department do? It doesn't have a price tag attached to it.

DR. BROWN: I should not give you this detail in view of the fact that I am not too sure of the exact procedure. But it is done through the Department of Health.

DR. HASTINGS: Mr. Chairman, it varies a little bit from community to community, but locally in many instances the procedure is that an indigent person would get the prescription, go to the local Department of Public Welfare who would refer this to the Public Health Department locally, and if it is confirmed they would then take this prescription to, now I believe it is, any drugstore for filling. At one stage it was only certain drugstores which accepted these; now it is any in the



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city. It tends to be a somewhat regional or community arrangement as to just who refers to what.

THE CHAIRMAN: How much time is involved in this manoeuvre?

DR. HASTINGS: Under this arrangement, actually for anything that is urgent they have the right to move fairly quickly and the confirmation is in a sense done afterwards to a large extent.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: As I understand you, sir, first you see your doctor, then you see the Welfare Department, then you are sent over to the Health Department. What does the Health Department do? Does it check the Welfare Department or check the doctor, or check the patient? It seems a little cumbersome procedure. Forgive me for not understanding the necessity of it, and presumably there are some reasons, but I am just wondering what are the reasons.

DR. HASTINGS: I couldn't say what the reasons are; they have been developed over the years. It has been expedited where this can be done locally, so that the person is not much delayed in this city. I can't speak for other areas.

THE CHAIRMAN: When you get into the rural areas where distances become important, and so forth, the telephone communication is not quite so quick, you don't know what happens then.

DR. HASTINGS: I could not say what happens there, sir.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: As you describe it to me, there seems to be some need for dovetailing.



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I am just trying to see how it can be achieved in practice. Have you any further comments to offer as to how to achieve this dovetailing besides creating committees?

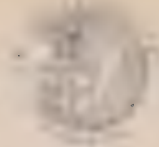
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Would you like to give some further thought to this point, which is a very important point, and you may come forward with complete suggestions as to how this desirable objective can be translated into practice? Or does it go beyond your own terms of reference? If so, please say so.

DR. YOUNG: We would certainly be glad to do anything we can to assist the Commission.

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: May I turn to paragraph 15 on page 4 in which you say:

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How would you achieve this sort of control you are talking about in paragraph 15 over the voluntary health agencies?

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THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much. I think that explains what you have in mind.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Following up, how would you control it as you recommend in paragraph 15?

DR. BROWN: Mr. Chairman, I can frankly



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7 the charitable dollar in any way which they choose.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Or their own time?

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10 for instance, no duplication, a co-ordination because
11 without doubt the charitable dollar is limited. In fact,
12 some people say we have approached fairly close to
13 the limits at the present time.

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15 control. It was achievable then. There was control
16 over those who could solicit funds. Is it something
17 like that you have in mind?

18 DR. BROWN: We don't see it is possible
19 to apply it under peace-time conditions, let us say.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: It would have to be
21 done by co-operation?

22 DR. BROWN: Co-operation.

23 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: By co-ordina-
24 tion you perhaps have in mind an appeal to the good
25 sense of the voluntary agencies to avoid duplication
26 to run their affairs efficiently and to tie in with some
27 overall objective of developing and improving health
28 services in Canada. Is that the sort of thing you have
29 in mind when you speak of co-ordinating authority which
30 should have some guidance or develop some co-operation
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to some extent in the educational field, to the extent of

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service in the field. Is that the sort of thing you have

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15 a voluntary agency and they were soliciting funds from
16 the public quite broadly. This can happen. How it
17 can be controlled, I don't think we can dictate, but
18 we can certainly make a greater effort to try and get
19 co-ordination and understanding between these groups.

20 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If you had
21 a voluntary agency consisting of three members it might
22 not produce very adequate and effective results for
23 the purposes. Would you feel in a case like that there
24 should be some government control to prevent misuse
25 or misrepresentation?

26 DR. BROWN: It could be, sir, that
27 might be desirable. The public wouldn't know this.

28 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: That is right.

29 DR. BROWN: At the time of incorpora-
30 tion their ultimate intent is not necessarily defined
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6 will give it. We know those are multiplying.

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8 knowledge does your organization have of such carrying
9 on?

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14 to check on such organizations?

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8 previous brief given this morning in the field of
9 rehabilitation where several departments of government
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11 affair is medically based. Does it not follow logically
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17 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If you could
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19 of this recommendation, sir, let us take the example that
20 was discussed by the group that appeared as witnesses
21 before you, the question of vocational training of the
22 crippled child was brought out and the point was made
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25 child are under the Department of National Health and
26 Welfare. Would your suggestion be that vocational
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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: How could this work at the provincial level where you have Health, Welfare and Education, would you move educational activities relating to the crippled child under the Department of Health?

DR. BROWN: Our Association believes it should be this way at both levels to the greatest extent possible since the whole problem of the individual -- the recipient is the important person concerned and when the recipient has to be carried medically for a time and then turned over to another person entirely who is going to carry him vocationally and yet he has to keep in contact with the medical consultants with respect to whether or not he is capable of handling the vocation chosen for him, you are going back and forth -- he is tossed back and forth and frequently he falls down between the gaps and misses out.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Would that mean that the sick person that is indigent, determination of indigency should be then tested by the health department which at the moment is the function of the welfare department?

DR. BROWN: That is difficult for me to say. I think the Welfare Department are more steeled in the determination of means tests or application of means tests than would be the Health Department.

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THE CHAIRMAN: Would you not look to that ideal regardless of what the planning might be leading to? You are going to have certain acceptable standards under any health services plan that would be acceptable to the Canadian people.

DR. HASTINGS: That is correct.

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THE CHAIRMAN: Health care would appear to be a broader expression, including more than just medical care?

DR. HASTINGS: To that extent we would regard health care as covering the whole gambit of health services, yes, and we feel that planning should keep in view all of this in proper balance.

THE CHAIRMAN: Whatever planning is done in the medical care field isn't the answer to everything?

DR. HASTINGS: No, it would be inappropriate for me to express the views of one Section at this time I think.

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THE CHAIRMAN: Health care would appear to be a broader expression, including more than just medical care?

DR. HASTINGS: To that extent we would regard health care as covering the whole gamut of health services, yes, and we feel that planning should keep in view all of this in proper balance.

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10 guidance as to what is meant by this term would be helpful.

11 Would it be possible to give this
12 consideration?

13 DR. YOUNG: We would be glad to do
14 that.

15 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And let us
16 have your results in writing to the Secretary?

17 DR. YOUNG: Yes, sir.

18 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: When you
19 consider this concept of minimum standards, can you also
20 bear in mind the necessity, or the desirability, that
21 there may be variations in such minimum standards from
22 province to province, or there may be a minimum standard
23 across Canada with some provinces wishing to have a
24 higher than what you consider a minimum standard, that
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26 THE CHAIRMAN: I would hate to see any-
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28 have different minimum standards in different provinces.
29 I think in any concept of an efficient health services
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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I was going to turn it around. I was going to say that there would be a minimum standard across Canada, but in developing such minimum standards you should bear in mind that some provinces might wish to have higher minimum standards.

May I turn now to Paragraph 21 on Page 6. You say, and I quote: "We are still largely dependent on mortality statistics, which although they have proved most valuable in the past, must now be reinforced by morbidity and other data". What other data do you have in mind?

DR. YOUNG: I think there we have in mind that there is a great need for morbidity statistics, for having an accurate appraisal of just what the health of the country is. It is true there was a Canadian Sickness Survey a few years ago ---

THE CHAIRMAN: In 1951, yes.

DR. YOUNG: But we feel that the information, certainly the coordinated and reported information, is very patchy as far as the morbidity of the health of the people of Canada is concerned.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Yes, you say quite specifically that you wish comprehensive and high-quality morbidity statistics, but you also suggest other data in addition to that. I just wondered what you had in mind when you speak of other data, and again if you wish to take this question under advisement and let us



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THE CHAIRMAN: Perhaps it might have been just a little bit of redundancy.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: May I now turn to Page 15, Paragraph 57. At the end of the paragraph you make the observation, and I quote: "With specific reference to research it must be said that it cannot thrive so long as it must be parasitic". I am just wondering what kind of research grants would you feel should be made available so that research will not be parasitic?

DR. BROWN: This reference, Mr. Chairman, arose from members who were vitally concerned and involved in areas of both teaching and research and the fact that unfortunately, and we feel it is unfortunate, research frequently is dependent upon teaching employment, or employment for teaching, or vice-versa, and when this is so, either one or the other is bound to suffer, and therefore we feel that they should be not dependent upon one or the other, although they should be involved, they should stand on their own feet, and be supported on their own feet.

In other words, a researcher should not be a researcher on the basis that he is being paid out of teaching funds or educational funds, or vice-versa.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In other words, you envisage the granting of research fellowships, or whatever you want to call them, solely for research, with no other strings attached to them?

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I understand you correctly, sir, you are really going further. You are saying that what is needed is continuing research funds to support a research program that will employ researchers on a continuing basis in this particular field?

DR. BROWN: I think it is perhaps a reference in a way to the practice, which is limited to block grants, that I think you have perhaps discussed at other times.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In Paragraph 58, sir, you speak of the necessity for more operational research in the field of public health. How much money is currently spent on operational research in this field in Canada? Do you know that amount?

DR. YOUNG: I don't know that, sir, but I would think it is very little. It is quite a new application I think, operational research in health.

DR. HASTINGS: I cannot, Mr. Chairman, give you a specific figure, but I would say from my own knowledge that there are very few projects which would really qualify under this term. The study in the Province of Nova Scotia which is mentioned in this brief,



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Secondly, because people who are qualified to do this type of research are at present somewhat limited in numbers.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Well, this just leads me to the next question. Where would you feel that funds for such a type of research come from, and who would be the people who would be doing the research, and under whose auspices?

DR. HASTINGS: Well, Mr. Chairman, certainly funds could come as at the present time from organizations who wish studies made of programs which they are carrying out. However, this in a sense may have certain implications for the person doing the research, which he may not wish therefore to undertake it. I would feel that certainly certain funds should be made available therefore without strings attached through Government agencies either at the Federal or Provincial level.

As to who might do the research, certainly we have advocated that there should be operational research units within public departments, which would assess their own programs, and beyond this the university, such groups as the schools of hygiene and so on, who are competent to do this, and whose services have been used, might well also expand this type of activity, given the proper support.



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DR. HASTINGS: Mr. Chairman, I am not prepared to answer that. We made certain comments in this direction as a school, School of Hygiene. I don't feel I am in a position to answer this overall field.

DR. YOUNG: I would think it would be hard to tie down a sum of money, but I would think it would have to be on its merit. We have organized a new service, consultant advisory service, and one of the studies that Dr. Hastings speaks of came about because of that and it was financed by a national health grant, but the amount of money was based on the study. I am certainly not in a position, it would be only a guess, to say the amount of money, overall money.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You see, this Commission is called upon to make recommendations to the Federal Government. If we are to make recommendations in this field we would like to get advice from a group like your own. Who else can we turn to for advice on the dimensions of a research program in the research field besides the Canadian Public Health Association?

DR. YOUNG: That is No. 4, I guess.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: It is entirely up to you, sir, but it would help us to make these recommendations more specific and we can consider them and be prepared to pass them on.

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THE CHAIRMAN: Unless, gentlemen, you feel that paragraph 58 does not lend itself to that and it is essentially a unit proposition in each case, an individual proposition. You, then, don't have so much money for research in this field, for projects on which research should be made, and you are looking for the money.

DR. YOUNG: We would like to play with this and see what we can come up with.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In paragraph 66, page 17, you say:

"A career service in public health is an urgent need in Canada", and you outline in the subsequent paragraphs as to why. I am just wondering whether you could be a little helpful to us by indicating specifically what the Federal Government can do to develop or to contribute in achieving what you set out in paragraph 66.

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are there any arrangements for somebody to move at the present time from the University of Toronto to the Federal Government or vice versa as far as pensions are concerned?

DR. HASTINGS: This, Mr. Chairman, is a problem not peculiar to this field, but the problem of changing jobs in many instances means a loss of seniority, loss of pension benefits, and so on, and our experience has been that this tends to keep people in a position rather than create perhaps a mobility not only in terms of value to the organization but also their own experience.

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On page V, the third paragraph, you say that:

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DR. YOUNG: Well, I think the feeling of our Committee on this, and I think our Association would support it, is that certainly in many places where the health profession get their training, that is all the teachers, at least a great many of the teachers, are more concerned with medical care than they are with prevention and public health, so therefore it naturally follows, when there is only a limited amount of time, that these subjects are apt to not get the attention they should receive, and we feel there is a need for greater emphasis.

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9 they didn't put the emphasis on it.

10 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: I understood
11 you to mean the medical students, nursing students
12 and the health educators, sanitary inspectors.

13 DR. YOUNG: Yes. That is what I
14 meant.

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24 So how much more can we do, how much
25 more can we apply this recommendation to the teaching
26 we are doing now? I don't know about the medical
27 schools, but about nursing.

28 DR. YOUNG: I really couldn't speak
29 to that.

30 DR. BROWN: I think, Mr. Chairman,
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So how much more can we do, how much more can we apply this recommendation to the teaching

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schools, but about nursing.

DR. YOUNG: I really couldn't speak

to that.

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COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Maybe it is one of the recommendations you should put in here for the local health department. Thank you very much.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Baltzan.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Gentlemen, I want to express my personal appreciation for the manner of your presentation of the brief. I have had the pleasure to read it. It is stimulating, shows wide interest in many areas. I want to refer to Page 2 where you state, and I quote: "Very great progress has been made in Canada in the health field". Men of authority such as you are, I think it might be possible for you to answer how do we compare in Canada with the so-called well-to-do nations in relation to progress towards improving the health field?

DR. HASTINGS: Well, Mr. Chairman, within the last year and a half I have had the opportunity of studying the programs in a number of European and other countries in some detail. This question cannot be answered in a categorical fashion. Obviously it depends upon what indices of measurement you are using and what field you are looking at.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am not interested in plans, but results.

DR. HASTINGS: In some fields. In other fields we are not. For instance, in the field of infant mortality the records of certain other countries



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19 DR. YOUNG: That is true. The alarm
20 bell rings when something is wrong. When you want to
21 prevent it going wrong there is no alarm bell.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: Make the alarm bell a
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23 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Actually it is
24 almost a question of concentrating the direction from
25 prevention of sickness to concentrating on how to maintain
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27 DR. YOUNG: That is right. We feel
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DR. YOUNG: I would think so.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Thank you.

THE CHAIRMAN: As a poor layman I would like to have some explanation of that. I think there isn't too bad a job about keeping us well from day to day public health-wise.

DR. BROWN: Public health services are adequate, doing a good job?

THE CHAIRMAN: They are doing a reasonably honest job of it and I wouldn't accept Dr. Baltzan's opinion there is very little done.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I beg your pardon, Mr. Chairman, I said done in relation to prevention. I was stressing the side of direction, instruction, knowledge about norms and the requirements for keeping well rather than preventing sickness. There is a difference. I think you can see that. The approach or philosophy toward positive health as against preventing ill health which you are doing very well in public health, that is acknowledged.

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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Thank you.

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DR. BROWN: With reference to indices, Mr. Chairman, I think everyone in our field whether in this country or the United States or Great Britain are convinced that we don't have adequate measures or measuring methods in the field of health. It would be desirable that these be developed if that is possible. We know as Dr. Hastings says, in some respects Canada stands very well and in others we don't stand as well, and we must confess we don't actually stand as well as we could. Secondly, studies are being made, are underway at the present time, but there need be many more to determine the yardsticks, methods of measuring indices, as we call them, of the morbidity and our health and ill health experience.



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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: You have the modus operandi for obtaining the data in relation to these indices in Canada.

DR. BROWN: Well, for example, in morbidity in our Association we believe there is a lot of morbidity information in the records of hospitals and the records of insurance companies and the records of other bodies, but no one is compiling that, analyzing, collating it and coming up with a picture of what our ill-health experience is, because actually we do operate on the basis that we are not suffering from morbidity and mortality is not involved. We are in good health. That is not necessarily true.

THE CHAIRMAN: I might interject here on this matter of indices, our own people get exactly as--- Not perhaps in the same language, but you said here that we were lacking indices from which to make proper projections, and we have had discussions with the Dominion Bureau of Statistics and the Department of National Health and Welfare. We have asked them to get together and make suggestions as to what they would recommend, and what should be done in the line of getting better basic information and indices, from which proper projections could be made, and evaluations of course. We did that back in September.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: May I, gentlemen, take it that your motto is that you are sick of sickness?

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Dr. Young and gentlemen. We are very grateful to you for your submission and for your attendance here this morning,



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...and gentlemen. We are very grateful to you for
your participation and for your statements here this morning.



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DR. YOUNG: Thank you, Mr. Chairman,
for listening to us.

THE CHAIRMAN: We will rise until two
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---Luncheon Adjournment.



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---On resuming at 2:00 p.m.

THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the first brief this afternoon is from the Ontario Chamber of Commerce. It will be known as exhibit 306, and Mr. Drysdale will introduce his group to the Commission.

---EXHIBIT NO. 306: Submission of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce.

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APPEARANCES:

Mr. A.O. Drysdale
Dr. R.M. Anderson
Mr. David Redgrave
Mr. J.T.A. Wilson

MR. DRYSDALE: Mr. Chairman and members of the Commission, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to introduce to you my associates in the Ontario Chamber. On my right is Dr. R.M. Anderson, and on his right Mr. J.T.A. Wilson, and on my left Mr. David Redgrave, our research assistant in the Ontario Chamber.

We certainly have a great deal of pleasure in accepting the opportunity to present on behalf of the Ontario Chamber our views on the health services in the Province of Ontario.

I guess, from what I have been reading in the papers, sir, that you have had any amount of paper presented to you and many briefs to consider. We consider ours relatively simple, and I would just like



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13 again on page 3 under a, development of existing
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15 the commercial carriers?

16 MR. DRYSDALE: No. It would be the
17 commercial carriers, voluntary, as opposed to --

18 THE CHAIRMAN: So we may get a
19 definition, rightly or wrongly, the voluntary plans become
20 identified with medically-sponsored, P.S.I. and voluntary
21 non-profit plans?

22 MR. DRYSDALE: No, we would include
23 both types.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: And the voluntary in
25 that sense is not meant to exclude the insurance
26 companies, the commercial people.

27 MR. DRYSDALE: That is right.

28 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Drysdale,
29 what are the views of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce
30 about the Ontario Hospital Insurance scheme as presently
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10 reference to the health field, because that is the
11 subject we are discussing. What are some of those
12 things you consider are inevitable in the health scheme
13 besides hospital insurance?

14 MR. DRYSDALE: I don't think I
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16 there are certain aspects of health that our brief is
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21 a place for government action in this area.

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you very much. That is helpful to us because the Ontario hospital insurance program has developed certain principles and the question arises whether some of the principles that are already in operation in one sector of the health field are applicable to another sector and whether you would endorse those or you wouldn't.

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are you making a distinction between the method of the individual going to the doctor and the individual being referred by the doctor to the hospital? Is that your distinction?

MR. DRYSDALE: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Why do you make that distinction? What is your distinction between going to your doctor and the doctor saying, "I cannot look after you. This is more serious, we had better send you to the hospital" - why do you make this distinction as to the financing of the cost of service?

MR. DRYSDALE: It is more than just financing. When you are considering medical care, I mean that is one aspect of it. There are other things that are involved, the regulations and the control that is impressed on the people involved. By that I mean doctors and patients, which is the basic difference.



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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Let us assume there is a medical care plan developed that safeguards that freedom of choice of physicians. I think that point is well taken. Let us assume that point is safeguarded. Where do you see the difficulty?

MR. DRYSDALE: Well, I can see many difficulties myself. Perhaps I shouldn't be doing all the talking, but I can see one vast difficulty because you would start like in England where they started on a contributory - it was sold to the population on contributory but in fact it is not any more. The same thing could happen. Once you take that step the next step is gradual erosion; not because the people in charge do not want to do the right thing. It might be political pressure, political expediency and some further steps are taken.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What are such further steps that you would consider to be detrimental



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to the health services provided to the individual citizen assuming the safeguards which you justifiably felt were required continued to be in existence?

MR. DRYSDALE: Here again, Mr. Chairman, I think we of the Chamber and myself in particular, with regard to this, we don't profess, certainly I do not profess, to be an expert on all these things.

Our basic worry is the freedom of the individual and the determination if there is a need. We would like to be absolutely sure that there is a demonstrated need for what you are talking about. You might say it is socially desirable to certain segments of the population. These are expensive affairs and we could very easily spend beyond our means and thereby throttle off the private enterprise section that provides wealth through taxation and find ourselves in a position where we cannot expand. We feel, as I mentioned before, where they are measures by government, they are not sufficient. I am off in an economic field which is your specialty, sir, because, there again, you are provoking a question I am really not in a position to answer.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You have been very helpful, Mr. Drysdale, and we really are not looking for expert opinion. We really are looking for your own best judgment and that of your colleagues. We are not expecting you to give us a solution of technical problems and we do appreciate your effort to deal with the basic principles involved and give us a little of your philosophy so we can understand more



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MR. DRYSDALE: I wondering, perhaps, if some of my associates here would like to discuss that point.

DR. ANDERSON: Mr. Chairman, I have been interested in medical economy for many, many years. I have devoted many hours of my time and thought to all these problems. I am devoted to and I am heartily in favour of the prepayment of medical care so that people can budget for their medical expenses. Having been involved in the provision of such care for people, I don't think I am giving away a secret when I say I was President of P.S.I. for eight-and-a-half years - I know a little bit about the complexities of attempting to cover these needs.

There is no easy solution, sir, as you well know and every time you solve one problem three more pop up. It is like a many-headed Hydra; the more heads you knock off, the more heads appear. I know there is no easy answer to this thing.

Having been aware, as I say, of the complexities of this field, I still am convinced, however, that given a chance, and I know you are going to say, how long do you want for this chance?, but given a chance with the prepaid scheme, the insurance people, I think, will be able to meet reasonably adequately without government intervention or participation except for those people who obviously cannot pay their premium either in full or in part.



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As I say, sir, we feel that we can ultimately meet the demands of the people and I know it is a very live demand. I would hate to see it used as a carrot on the end of a stick in front of the voter's nose.

For instance, I am dreading what might happen in this federal election before you people have a chance to digest all the material that has been laid before you in the past months. I hope my fears are unfounded.

You might say, why do you fear government becoming a monopolistic purveyor of medical services? I speak now not as a man of the medical profession because I am no longer in practice and it couldn't matter less to me as an individual what it does but I was a doctor in practice for many years and I went into medicine because I am an individualist. I just cannot make myself come to the point of being told how I am going to handle this patient, how to handle that.

In any kind of scheme, even under the so-called voluntary plans, one of the biggest dangers is control of the type of practice conducted by the men who are working under that system by the administrator



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of the plan in order to fit into the pattern of how they are to be paid. That is one of the greatest dangers in the administration of P.S.I. during the years I was on the Board.

I know it goes on at this moment. Constantly we have to remind ourselves we were not there to tell other doctors how to practise medicine. This is the danger, sir, a very serious danger, because you have X dollars to pay for the service or services and because certain physicians do not come into the type of pattern you expect that you could pay for with this operation and you are tempted to reach out and say to this fellow, "This is the way we want you to do this."

This is much more likely to occur in an administration run by the Government on a broad scale, working within budgetary confines. I would think sooner or later, sir, it would be inevitable - I don't like to use the word - sooner or later it would be bound to arise that there must be some constriction on the type of practice being carried out by the men working under that scheme.

As an individual Canadian citizen I am opposed to compulsion. I am very much opposed to being told that I must do this, do that or the other thing providing what I do is something which is not going to affect the general welfare of the community in which I live. Obviously I must be told I cannot drive my car at 95 miles an hour down the road.



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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Dr. Anderson, we appreciate your sincere views very much. Just a small question sir. Are you employed with an organization that is required to pay premiums under the hospital insurance scheme in Ontario?

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: May I come back to a point which you made a little earlier. I understood you to say, and please correct me if I am wrong, that a government should stay out of things unless and until social needs are clearly established and require government participation. Did I understand you correctly?



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4 MR. DRYSDALE: I used the word a
5 demonstrated and stated need.

6 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Demonstrated
7 social needs. Was that the phrase you used?

8 MR. DRYSDALE: That is right.

9 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: We have heard
10 from the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, and a number
11 of labour unions, representing millions of people
12 across Canada, working people, farmers, et cetera,
13 saying there is a social need in Canada, in their opinion,
14 for a State-supported, comprehensive medical care plan
15 on a compulsory basis. This is the judgment of these
16 groups, which is not necessarily a judgment which you
17 share, but how does a government, or a Royal Commission,
18 or any one else advising a government, decide whether
19 social need has been demonstrated or not? These groups
20 feel the need exists. Other groups, like your own,
21 feel there is no need for, as you call it, a compulsory
22 and universal State medical plan in Canada.

23 How does one formulate the judgment
24 with those conflicting views?

25 THE CHAIRMAN: By the appointment of
26 a Royal Commission.

27 MR. DRYSDALE: I would presume that
28 that is really the problem you are confronted with, and
29 that is the nub of the whole thing.

30 THE CHAIRMAN: I don't think we should
put the question in that way to any organization, to ask
them to come to the conclusions that we must ourselves
come to after hearing not only this organization and that



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3 one, but them all, plus our own judgment and evaluation
4 of what we have heard.

5 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: We could
6 get some guidance, at least speaking for myself sir.

7 You are rather a responsible group,
8 and you have put forward sound views, and any guidance
9 we could get from you would be appreciated.

10 MR. DRYSDALE: Take my own case. I
11 am employed by the Canada Cement Company. I have
12 P.S.I. and hospitalization. In effect what I pay for
13 physician care on a prepaid medical basis, I don't have
14 to meet any bills unless they are catastrophic.

15 Now, do I need a State plan, or do
16 any of the employees working at my plant need it? There
17 is not a need in their behalf at all, and we would assume,
18 and there has been evidence, and I am sure that that
19 evidence has been presented to you, that voluntary or
20 private plans give better coverage, more effective
21 coverage, for less money. That is the plan that I have
22 now. I don't need it. There is no stated or demonstrated
23 need in my case, nor in any of the employees at my
24 plant, nor for any of the employees at Dr. Anderson's
25 plants or Mr. Wilson's organization, or for many of
26 those who are employed.

27 I am not too sure of the percentages.
28 As I say, this is a technical matter, but I believe at
29 least 60% of our population in Ontario have such plans,
30 adequate plans, and Dr. Anderson has mentioned that
these can be extended, given a little while to broaden
it.



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Therefore, to answer your question, I would say that there is no demonstrated need. These people do not need any coverage, but there are areas, I wouldn't argue that there is that outer fringe that are not employed, or who are self-employed perhaps, or unemployed, that do need help, and we recognize that, and we realize that this need must be filled, but for those that are covered and can be covered by private plans there is no demonstrated need.

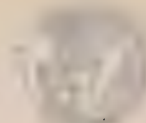
COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Now, Mr. Drysdale, when you speak of those that are in need, I take it that you refer to the group that is generally known as the indigent group and the medically-indigent. Is that correct, or shall I define it for you?

MR. DRYSDALE: Perhaps Dr. Anderson could list them.

DR. ANDERSON: Yes sir, these are the groups we were thinking about.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In your paragraph 1 (b) on page 2 you say that these individuals and families who are unable to budget for their medical expenses, government assistance is necessary. When you speak of government assistance in this particular case, do you have in mind provincial government assistance, or federal government assistance, or both?

MR. DRYSDALE: Well, I would imagine it would be both. In some cases it is even at the third level of government, but it is some government body, and I should think with our income tax set-up that it would be a shared basis one way or the other, municipal



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I take it that you refer to the group that is generally
known as the underemployed and the medically-indigent.
Is that correct, or shall I believe it for you?

Yes, that would be correct, Dr. Anderson.
Could that be?

Yes, that would be correct, Dr. Anderson. These are the
people we are talking about.

Now, in your
paragraph 2 (b) you say that these individuals
and families are unable to budget for their medical
expenses, but that assistance is necessary. What
you speak of is a need for assistance in this particular
area, do you have in mind that small government assistance
or federal assistance, or both?

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3 and provincial, or provincial and federal.

4 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Well, you
5 elaborate a little on this point on page 11 in paragraphs
6 30 and 31. You mention in paragraph 30 a group which
7 we generally understand to be included in the category
8 of the indigent. Now, I understood from Dr. Anderson
9 that you really had in mind a broader coverage than
10 that that is indicated in paragraph 30, to include
11 also the medically indigent, who are people not on the
12 welfare lists, or covered under the direct welfare
legislation?

13 MR. DRYSDALE: Well, these are not
14 all indigents here. That is a technical matter I am
15 not familiar with sir.

16 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Just to have
17 Dr. Anderson's understanding. As I understood it from
18 you sir, you would really go further than the coverage
19 in paragraph 30, to cover also the medically indigent,
20 who are people who may at times be able to look after
21 themselves, but then become unemployed and are not
22 covered in this paragraph 30, but would still be
eligible under the plan which you support?

23 DR. ANDERSON: Yes sir.

24 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You are
25 only talking in paragraph 30 of the provision for medical
26 care services for this group, plus the medically
27 indigent group that we are talking about. Now, would
28 you feel that perhaps coverage should be extended to
29 cover comprehensive health care services, rather than
30 limited to medical care only?



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DR. ANDERSON: Mr. Chairman, yes.

This is certainly my feeling, that people in the indigent or para-indigent group should be offered a comprehensive coverage.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And by

comprehensive coverage you would include besides medical care services such things as drugs, dental care, nursing care of a special character?

DR. ANDERSON: In my thinking this is comprehensive care.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: That is a

very constructive answer. My last question is, assuming that such more comprehensive services are made available in the Province of Ontario, covering more people than are covered at the present time, and I may draw your attention to the proposal which the Ontario Medical Association has made to the Ontario Government to extend coverage to this particular area. If such a plan were developed it would cost more money. Would the Ontario Chamber of Commerce support increased taxes to pay for those expanded health care services for the needy?

MR. DRYSDALE: Yes, we would. After all, if we accept it I think we have to be prepared to pay for it, and just how that might be done is another question. In other words, depending upon who you extract the money to do this.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Let's call this a technical question which I will not address to you, so long as you are in support of the principle.

A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC: Can a question



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be asked from the floor?

THE CHAIRMAN: It depends who you are and what you want to question about.

A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC: My name is David Gray. I represent some citizens who have some further interest in this affair. Is it possible ---

THE CHAIRMAN: Excuse me, I understand you are with the C.B.C.?

MR. GRAY: I am under contract with them at the moment.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, if you are coming in here as a representative of a news media to ask questions, the answer is no.

MR. GRAY: Does that go into the record, that we are not allowed to ask a very basic question?

THE CHAIRMAN: It is not a question of you not being allowed to ask, but this Commission is not sitting to provide a place for the C.B.C., or a newspaper, or any other news media, to draw their information that way. Had you told me, had you been frank about it when you stood up ---

MR. GRAY: I had already called Mr. Lafrance.

THE CHAIRMAN: Had you been frank about it, I would have said ---

MR. GRAY: Is it not possible for an individual, an individual Canadian citizen, to make any kind of representation to this Commission?

THE CHAIRMAN: You know that that is



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kind of statement, or to make any kind of

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3 not true. There has been a general advertisement
4 carried in the news media of this country. Don't start
5 brow-beating here, even from any pedestal, whatever
6 the news medium may claim to be, but since you suggest
7 the individuals cannot be heard, I just wanted to tell
8 you that they can. This Commission advertised in the
9 news media of Canada in all ten provinces that individuals
would be heard.

10 MR. GRAY: If they got 25 copies, and
11 could afford to give 25 copies to the Commission in time.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: And if you will look
13 at the program that we have here, there are many
14 individuals who are going to be heard at this hearing.

15 MR. GRAY: If they can afford the
16 price.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: And when those who have
18 signified their intention, and politeness ought to be
19 a component of anyone in the news media, and if there
20 is anyone who wishes to put a question when all those
21 who have already signified their intention of appearing
have had a chance to appear, they will also be heard,
but we will not interrupt the proceedings.

22 MR. GRAY: I apologize, Mr. Commissioner.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: We will not interrupt
24 the proceedings in this way, merely to accommodate
25 somebody who may have some reason or another to put a
26 question at a particular time to suit himself.

27 MR. GRAY: I am sorry sir.

28 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you Mr. Drysdale.
29 We are very grateful to the Chamber of Commerce for
30 this submission. You appreciate as well as we do that



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5 who are here before us, and as I mentioned it is our
6 responsibility in the end to make such recommendations
7 as we may see fit to do, and we are assisted by all
8 who appear here before us, because it is only by having
9 the views of all that we may have some expectation of
coming to a right conclusion.

10 MR. DRYSDALE: Thank you very much
11 sir.

12 THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the
13 next submission is that of the Canadian Association of
14 Health, Physical Education and Recreation, which will
15 be known as exhibit 307, and Mr. Speirs will introduce
16 his group.

17 ---EXHIBIT NO. 307:

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SUBMISSION OF
THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION
AND RECREATION

APPEARANCES:

MR. N.R. SPEIRS
PROF. J. LIFE
MR. G.A. WRIGHT
PROF. KIRK WIPPER
MR. C.R. BLACKSTOCK
MISS E.B. SEXTON

MR. SPEIRS: Mr. Chairmana, my name is Speirs, I am the Vice-President of the Canadian Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. In real life I am the director of Physical Education for the Toronto Board of Education, which may account for the error in the agenda attributing this brief to that organization. This is the Canadian Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. On my extreme right is Miss Sexton, a private member of this Association who inspects the girls' physical recreation for Ontario secondary schools. Next is Mr. C.R. Blackstock, our Executive Secretary, also National Director for Water Safety of the Canadian Red Cross Society. On my extreme left is Mr. Kirk Wipper, Assistant Professor of the University of Toronto School of Physical Health and Education under the directorship of Dr. Harry Ebbs. He is also a member of a private camp for boys, Camp Candelon. On his right is Mr. G.A. Wright of our Association and also a director of the Ontario Branch; and Mr. Jack Life, Editor of our journal and also on the staff of



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the Ontario College, Physical Education Department.

I believe you have copies of our brief which contains a statement outlining information about our Association.

At this time I would like to read the preamble and then ask a member of our panel to read the recommendations.

Romain Rolland's book about Mahatma Gandhi gives three reasons why he did not covet Western Civilization for India - our attitudes towards law, health and education.

According to Gandhi, Western Medicine was oriented towards the relief of symptoms - palliative treatments - which enabled people to violate the rules of health and escape (or at least postpone) the consequences. This, he said, demoralizes people. It weakens their will power by helping them to cure themselves with Black Magic prescriptions instead of observing healthy ways of living.

D.r Arthur Steinhaus pokes fun at drug store health merely by assembling advertising claims.

Advertisers advise you to:

Wake up with Caffeine

Keep going on Nicotine

Move bowels on Serutan

Kill pain with Aspirin

Stay alive on Geritol

Drown worries in Alcohol

Adjust your stomach on Tums

Lift your arches with Steel

Hold your belly with a Three-Way-
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Quiet tensions with Tranquilizers

Dispel nagging backache with Kidney
Pills

Go to sleep on Barbiturates

Start the day with bubbling Alkalizers
to get rid of yesterday's brown taste
and make room for today's brown taste.

"Health is a state of complete physical, mental
and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease
or infirmity" states the Preamble to the Constitution
of the World Health Organization.

And Yet, if one may judge by the press
reports, most of the submissions to this Commission so far
have shown this bias or pre-occupation with disease.

There has been much talk about Health
Insurance. Is that what we really want? What we think
of as health insurance is really SICKNESS INSURANCE.

How much health education goes on in
a doctor's office, or in our hospitals?

The cost of proposals so far set before
this Commission must add up to a sum dangerously approxi-
mating the gross national product, and this is only the
half-way mark. There are still seventy-one more briefs
to be heard in Toronto. Is it not remarkable that so
many of these proposals deal with medical treatment rather
than prevention of ill-health by positive means?

It is the modest intention of this
brief to draw attention to some positive aspects of health
which we believe should have more attention from those
responsible for providing Health Services.



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Perhaps this is Russia's real secret weapon. Much publicity has been directed towards the emphasis placed on advanced science and maths in Soviet schools, but not everyone has noticed the lavish provisions for Physical and Health Education at all levels.

We covet for Canada a nation of robust, game-loving people.

We warn against the danger of becoming a nation of neurotic, pill-swallowers.

Mr. Chairman, do you wish us to comment on the individual resolutions or shall we rely on the Commissioners to draw us out with questions?

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, I think if you wish to expand anything now, you should take the opportunity, because questions might not be forthcoming which would deal with the subjects you want to deal with.

MR. SPEIRS: We are prepared to do it either way.

THE CHAIRMAN: Whichever way you wish to do it. We are here to listen to you primarily.

MR. SPEIRS: Then I will call on Prof. Life to comment on resolution number one, which reads as follows:

1. It is recommended that the Royal Commission on Health Services stress the importance of Physical Education, Health Education and



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Recreation in the total Canadian health picture, particularly the contribution that they make to good physical health and the prevention of disease through sound Health Education.

PROF. LIFE: Wlll, Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, we believe, and we think are backed-up by the medical profession in this belief, that the major health problems today center around the problems which have something to do with the way we live. For example, cardiovascular disease seems, according to research of the medical profession, to be a functional disease; that is we are living in such a way that perhaps we are a little more susceptible to this sort of thing. Mental illness is probably the greatest health problem we have today; cancer, of course, another great problem, and we think one which isn't usually mentioned under a health problem and that is the problem of accidents is pretty important in our society today. These things we think are partly, and I stress the word "partly", caused by the way we live. We live in a society which has become more and more sedentary and we believe perhaps more physical activity of a recreational nature may help to prevent some of this situation. We are backed-up in what we say by experts, particularly experts in the fields of cardiovascular disease and mental health. For example, Dr. Jack Griffin, General Director of the Hygiene Council of Canada, spoke to our convention, our Canadian Association convention last June, and he was very hopeful that the kind of things that we propose, that is physical



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activity through enjoyable recreation, school programs, etcetera, could be very helpful in relieving tension and relieving situations which perhaps contribute to mental ill-health.

I could give you a lot of quotations from Dr. Griffin, Dr. J. B. Wolfe of the United States, and so on. I don't think these are necessary. I think it is proven fact by these people, these experts in the field. A doctor Hans Salye, the endocrinist from Montreal, himself carries out a very vigorous program of physical activity daily as a means of helping himself to keep in a healthy state. We think this is prevention rather than correction, this is prevention of health problems.

In terms of cardiovascular disease I think I could just mention one eminent man, and that is Dr. Paul Dudley White who we heard speak at the health forum in March. He feels, at least he said that the most important factor in preventing arthrosclerosis, which he feels is the greatest health problem today, the problems of arteries, is physical exercise, and he doesn't go overboard, he doesn't feel everybody should do physical jerks every day; people should do physical activity which is going to help prevent this illness, which, as he says, is a far greater problem than actual heart illness or heart disease itself. But he feels the great problem we have is diseases of the arteries.

With regard to this first resolution, we will feel we have a contribution we can make, and this is particularly in terms of schools, with which we are very



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By and large, it could be a very helpful thing if it is started. We feel, perhaps, this Commission might be able to make recommendations which would support this dissemination of health education through the schools. We have found in some parts of Canada, health education is being taught by people who really have no, very little, background, shall I say, in actual medical facts, if we could call it that.

For instance, English teachers teach this subject, probably very capable people but hardly qualified to teach people how to be healthy. So, we feel, perhaps, through getting this knowledge to young people, particularly in the areas of immunization, the value of immunization and so on, let's get this premise of prevention of disease going, keep it always in the public eye in terms of health practice, in terms of accident prevention.

I think probably the best example we have of accident prevention through education is Elmer the Elephant which we see flying over most schools, certainly in the metropolitan area. Elmer the Elephant was introduced a number of years ago as a symbol of an accident-free school and through this educational program, in using the system of Elmer the Elephant, there has been a tremendous reduction in the number of accidents to schoolchildren in the metropolitan Toronto area. This is health education. This is positive health education.

THE CHAIRMAN: Apparently you are able

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PROF. LIFE: That is true; if we can start preventive measures early I think we can do something valuable. We are thinking in terms of cancer, lung cancer, education of children with regard to tobacco and, incidentally, alcohol and so on so that they will make intelligent decisions with regard to this whole problem of should I smoke or shouldn't I smoke, before the habit has become ingrained as it is in many of us.

We can perhaps put the facts before them as has been done in the schools for many years and let them make intelligent decisions and not decisions based on someone telling them, "You shalt not smoke"; decisions based upon information, actual information which is true factual information of a professional nature and these pupils can then, these young, intelligent people, can make their decision.

I think we feel our profession can make a contribution here. We feel that this Commission, perhaps, should be thinking in terms of prevention. It is a positive approach to health. Consequently, we make this first recommendation.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.

MR. SPEIRS: Not to worry this too much but it is better to prepare than repair. I would like to now call on Mr. Blackstock, who has to leave us shortly for London, to talk about recommendations in the way of professional people who carry on these programs which are resolutions 2 and 3.



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MR. BLACKSTOCK: Sir, Miss Girard, gentlemen, our Association is not so presumptuous as to suggest that you are not able to call on such a consultant as is recommended in Recommendation 2, but we would like you to know the Association is prepared to co-operate with the Commission and to produce a person or persons from whom you might choose if you so desired to have a consultant.

We think it is important enough, the contribution of people in health education, physical education and recreation, is important enough for the Commission to draw upon those who are well-trained for the fields and who are well-experienced in them.

We present this recommendation for your consideration and we do it with help in mind rather than making it a mandatory matter.

In Recommendation 3 we know that others who have preceded us before your Commission have made this recommendation and that suggestions and actual arrangements have been made to facilitate this support for students who might enter one of these three fields.

There is a very definite need for more of these people. The Association is doing as much as it can at the present time and hopes to be able to do more to encourage or to recruit students to the schools of physical and health education and recreation who will serve our citizens of the future. Those are my comments, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.



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MR. SPEIRS: I am going to take the liberty, if I may, to ask you to turn to No. 8, which seems to follow logically at this point and get Miss Sexton off the hook; she says she is nervous.

MISS SEXTON: You shouldn't tell on me. I am trying to hide it. Ladies and gentlemen, as Mr. Speirs said, I wish to draw your attention to No. 8, and may I read it?

"Financial assistance is needed to conduct emergency programs immediately in teacher training for secondary school women teachers of physical education to relieve the appalling shortage in the area."

I would like to say that the extent to which our professional physical education can contribute to physical and mental health is certainly almost totally dependent on adequately trained teachers and personnel in general.

I would like to draw your attention to the sheet, I think it was given to you, which is simply pointing up this need in the schools. It is entitled Women Teachers of Physical Education, Secondary Schools. There are two parts to this.

The top half has to do with the schools themselves and the lower half with teachers. I would like to point out the information here is exclusive of the large areas in the province which include metropolitan Toronto, Hamilton and so forth and Windsor. The other aspects of the province are listed.



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On the west, St. Clair in the western end of the province with 22 schools in the whole area, secondary schools and 15 of the 22 schools have no teacher who holds a certificate for teaching physical education. 68% of the schools in the area have not got a qualified teacher. That was probably in the middle. The area hit hardest, of course, is the North Western, one city of which would be Fort William. There are 32 schools in this area and 26 of the 32, that is 81% of those schools, have no qualified teacher of health and physical education.

No. 6 is the central part of the province, 30 schools. That would be in the area near to Toronto and out of the 30 schools 10 schools have no certified teacher of physical education, 33.1/3%. It seems to work out from the centre, that the qualified teachers are around the larger areas and the further out you go to the North Western and Ottawa and Windsor areas, and there are more and more unqualified teachers.

At the bottom, 55% of the total schools do not have a qualified teacher.

As I said, this excludes metropolitan Toronto. Actually, I don't think if we had put in those areas, those five large urban areas, it would have made much difference.

Last year, in the City of Toronto, one-third of the women teaching physical education in secondary schools did not have a certificate to do so and were on what we call a Letter of Permission. This is just the other side of the same picture at the foot



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3 of the page, the teachers themselves. There are more
4 teachers, of course, than schools because some schools
5 have more than one teacher. The total number of teachers
6 is 470.

7 Almost all the schools, not including
8 the large areas, have 68% total teachers unqualified.
9 The total number without even a university degree is
10 21%. That is the situation. That is the need.

11 We feel the recommendation for something
12 to alleviate this need would be an emergency training
13 plan to prepare teachers, at least in part, for teaching
14 physical education and health in the secondary schools.

15 You will note we have 21% of the
16 teachers that do not have a university degree. In an
17 emergency training plan it would probably be a two-year
18 course which would include both academic and physical
19 health education. Of course, staff would be necessary
20 for such schools. Where are we to get the staff? It
21 is like a vicious circle. I think they would have to
22 be lured from the areas that already have teachers and
23 how are we going to pay them? They would certainly
24 have to be paid at least as much as they are already
25 receiving.

26 I am not going to attempt to say how
27 many, how large a staff it would need. It would
28 depend on the number of people in the course. I would
29 assume, if you could get any teachers who would be
30 capable of the job, they would take not less than
\$10,000 per annum.

These are our suggestions and an attempt



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at clarifying the need and the remedial possibility.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.
Without the slightest indication of nervousness.

MR. SPEIRS: May I call on Professor
Wipper to talk about our need in terms of research
and evaluation.

PROF. WIPPER: Mr. Chairman, lady and
gentlemen, I will be very brief on this matter of
research and evaluation. I think both are implied
in the term "research". Certainly it can be argued
there is a great deal of research accomplished in the
United States and England. It can also be argued,
perhaps, this data could be used in our country, but
I believe that the kind of research and evaluation
we need must be done here and related to our problems
under the conditions we have in Canada.

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accomplished. There is a great need to test the kind
of health education our children need. People can do
this, get what knowledge they have and what application
to habits of life. This knowledge is a matter generally
in the area of research and evaluation. Our plea
would be to support the matter of research and evaluation
in Canada for Canadians by Canadians.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much,
Professor Wipper.

MR. SPEIRS: Mr. Wright will explore
the inequality of health services in schools.

MR. WRIGHT: I, too, will be very
brief. Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, the experience

at clarifying the road and the beneficial consequences.
The author thanks you very much.

With the warmest wishes of a happy New Year.

Yours faithfully, Max I. Calloway

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12 services are not nearly as well looked after, and I
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14 like this, for the nurses, the doctors, the teachers
15 and so on, the janitors, the teachers in various
16 subjects, and the students themselves, because I find
17 that in some schools where there has been a student
18 health group they come up with more of the answers than
19 some of the teachers, and I think that in any committee
20 like this, or study, we should look after the interests
21 and needs of these children, and involve them, rather
22 than just telling them what goes on.

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24 this particular recommendation, but it is relevant to
25 a number of others, you will appreciate that these are
26 matters dealing primarily with education. I know they
27 have a health connotation.

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29 sir, given by health units.

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4 MR. WRIGHT: Yes, provincial
jurisdiction sir.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: And while we are
6 concerned, I mean to say in a general way, with this
7 picture of physical health, it couldn't be ignored,
8 when it comes to particular functions or programs within
9 the provincial sphere, you can quite appreciate that
10 it is quite beyond the scope of this Commission to start
11 to tell provinces what to do. Provinces are, as you
12 know, quite touchy on this point.

13 MR. WRIGHT: The idea of a pilot though
14 is a study, even conducted by the province, could reveal
15 this to themselves, if some support were given.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Oh yes, I am not saying
17 that your basic approach here this afternoon is not
18 perfectly relevant and proper. It is only in terms of
19 individual projects which fall exclusively within the
20 provincial jurisdiction that I make reference to.

21 MR. WRIGHT: You wouldn't like to put
22 any tags on the federal money that comes through
23 provincial sources.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: I don't think we will
25 be asked to.

26 MR. SPEIRS: Isn't it true sir that
27 your terms are very broad deliberately, and one
28 province I believe said that your existence is almost
29 an impertinence in view of the fact that health is a
30 provincial prerogative, but it is an impertinence they
put up with, because the federal government has money
to distribute.



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4 THE CHAIRMAN: Well, nobody has been
5 quite that impertinent. The constitutional position
6 has been spelled out by one or two provinces, not only
7 one or two, but by several provinces.

8 MR. BLACKSTOCK: I think our intention
9 in putting this recommendation was that the Commission
10 might urge the unification of practice across the
11 country, rather than the implementation of any specific
12 studies.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, general recommenda-
14 tions are one thing. It is when you start to spell them
15 out into particular programs, or directives, that
16 would involve us in difficulty.

17 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: On this
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19 government encouraging the provinces to develop a pro-
20 gram of health services in schools of minimum standards,
21 if this was what you had in mind in one way or the
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23 you of what you would consider to be desirable standards,
24 minimum or otherwise.

25 MR. SPEIRS: One thing that Mr. Wright
26 mentioned in our pre-conversation was the establishment
27 of county health units, which has probably been urged
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30 services previously provided are now being withdrawn.

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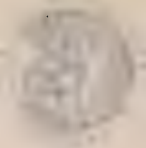
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12 have to have some study, to see how many they can serve,
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15 of to base a suggestion on in Canada. Maybe I am not
16 aware of the whole situation.

17 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Did I under-
18 stand that there are schools where you consider the
19 present practice to be reasonably satisfactory?

20 MR. WRIGHT: Yes, in some of the urban
21 centres.

22 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What kind
23 of standards do these schools employ, and maybe we can
24 learn from the experience where you consider this
25 experience to be adequate?

26 MR. WRIGHT: In some of your larger
27 schools, where you have a nurse, if they run about 1,400
28 students you need a nurse full-time. Once you get down
29 to schools of less size, a nurse may be just in there
30 half a day a week, and share with another school, but
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6 present time, but I know there is a need there. It
7 should be perhaps one in 14, 15, 1600. Perhaps the
8 nurse on the panel could give us some indication?

9 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: What does the
10 nurse actually do in that one day, or half day, in
11 relation to the problem you are presenting to us?

12 MR. WRIGHT: In this case the teacher
13 serves as a screening agent, and with 1,400 secondary
14 school students, in a fair percentage of them there will
15 be some indication of illness, such as a rash, and
16 teachers can refer them to the nurse.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: There is a very well
18 developed program in Saskatoon, Dr. Baltzan.

19 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am well aware
20 of that, Mr. Chairman. But this is related to the
21 illness portion now?

22 MR. WRIGHT: Yes.

23 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: But more in
24 relation to that in which you are primarily interested,
25 and that is the positive approach towards keeping the
26 well well or weller, what do you think?

27 MR. WRIGHT: I think there is a point
28 where you are handling a class of 40 or 50 boys, there
29 is enough indication. This lad is slower today, or
30 pale. This is the lad you can refer to the nurse. The
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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: But sir, I am



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14 is an ideal. I know what you mean, and I think that
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16 treat, if more of these children were healthier, then she
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18 educator in the school, and working with the administra-
19 tion of the school, to help to make the environment
20 in that school a healthier place.

21 Am I talking on the right line now?

22 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Oh yes, we
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24 one a sick nurse.

25 PROF. LIFE: But I think this is
26 important though, but right now where we do have nurses
27 in the schools, either if the nurses there are full-time,
28 she is so preoccupied with little problems. The
29 children are really not sick, but you know, there are
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MR. SPEIRS: No, they are delayed. It goes back to the local level and to the nurses' level. By the time you get down to the nurses' level the choice is pretty slim pickings.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Do you know of any specific case where somebody has written to the Federal Department of National Health and Welfare asking for a pamphlet and they were refused it?

MR. SPEIRS: This goes on all the time with teachers.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You have no specific document in that regard?

MR. SPEIRS: No.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Your organization that you are representing here today; are you representing the physical education teachers?

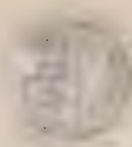
MR. SPEIRS: No, only in part. The recreation people may also belong but they are people who are professionally engaged in health education and recreation.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: It is an Ontario branch?

MR. SPEIRS: No. We are representing the Canadian Association.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I can see my confusion, because I see on the heading of this thing something about the Toronto Board of Education.

MR. SPEIRS: I thought I had explained



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were in the country. You have no

specific document in that regard.
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that you are representing here today; are you represent-

ing the national association of teachers?
No, I think, no, only in part. The

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THE CHAIRMAN: Have you something to add, Mr. Blackstock?

MR. BLACKSTOCK: Except this, and I think our concern about publications and why we bring it to the attention of this Commission, is that there is a great deal of variation in many agencies of distributing these who let it be known to the public that they are available through them, and this makes for awkwardness.

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MR. BLACKSTOCK: Yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: On a healthy state?

PROF. LIFE: For American children but not for Canadian children necessarily.

MR. BLACKSTOCK: Or British children.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I certainly commend you on your main theme, and that is this philosophy or approach that is positive health rather than the other type which is often preventive, negative approach.

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How far have they gotten as a result of all this?

MR. BLACKSTOCK: How far have our programs, sir?

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: No, the only place where they have this lavish thing.

PROF. LIFE: We don't have very much information on that. The information we have is very lavish, they make great claims, but we don't have much information on it.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Gentlemen, I have seen and I give you very great credit for the most lavish underground subways we have in the world, and that is lavish, it is beautiful and it is grand, and I have also seen, not so long ago, the living quarters, etc., etc. So that in comparison, the statement of a lavish provision, the end results of that are two different things, and that is why I put that question: have you any positive information about the value of this lavishness?

PROF. LIFE: We believe that leadership is very much more important than lavish facilities. We would like to see adequate facilities for physical education and health recreation completely throughout our country, but we are much more interested in leadership.

MR. SPEIRS: I think we can help to document that for you, because we have been working the



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MR. JACKSON: Not to a sufficient degree in our opinion to be completely effective. We have had some experience with what we consider from time to time lack of objectivity on the part of medical personnel who owe their income solely to the corporation. We would see it as a Governmental responsibility to encourage, to provide the income for such people.

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By Municipal (3)	<u>100.</u> \$966.

Additions to complete public health system:
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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Jackson, if I understand the essence of your proposal correctly, you are, you and your associates are in favour of a comprehensive, national health care plan for Canada, on a compulsory basis, State-operated, is that correct?

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23 similar controls are not imposed on lawyers, accountants,
24 or in your case perhaps members of the United Electrical,
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25 MR. JACKSON: From where we sit we
26 are under very heavy control legislatively, and in some
27 other ways, as union people and as workers in the industry,
28 and we are not frightened of controls if the controls are
29 operated in the interest of the national good. Now, we
30 feel that health being what it is in terms of the needs of



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10 control aspect in the sense in which it is being raised
11 as a horrendous situation. On the contrary, we feel
12 that that is the direction in which our society is
13 moving generally.

14 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Another
15 criticism of that proposal which you have put before
16 us is that a State-operated plan would contribute to
17 reducing the quality of medical care services provided
18 to the Canadian people, and that that would not be in
19 the national interest. What would be your reply to
20 that observation?

21 MR. JACKSON: I don't see how it could
22 or would reduce the inequality. First of all, we
23 don't agree that quality exists today. We think there
24 is discrimination, based on income.

25 THE CHAIRMAN: I think the word was
26 quality, and not inequality.

27 MR. JACKSON: How are you using the
28 term inequality in the first place?

29 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: The word is
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8 it on to you as I understood it, was that if government
9 interferes in how the medical practitioner is practising
10 medicine, it would affect the freedom in which he can
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12 the financial resources of the government insured plan
13 do not permit to cover certain medical services which
14 he in his own judgment would feel are required in the
15 interests of high quality medical care. The argument
16 of budgetary consideration was put forward to us. I
17 don't want to exhaust the whole list. I am just raising
18 the question of principle which was put before us as
19 an objection.

20 MR. JACKSON: Frankly, we view a lot
21 of those so-called principles as straw men, because the mere
22 fact it would centralize our control, if you want to
23 use that term, direction I would rather prefer, of the
24 application of medicine, or rather of meeting the needs
25 of the people, I don't see that that in any way confirms
26 the opposition of the medical association.

27 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: May I perhaps
28 be a little more specific, to be helpful to you. One
29 point that has been put forward to us is that government,
30 and any government plan would have to be based on a
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9 from any other aspect of government administration?
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18 them to practise the medical profession as they see
19 fit under our present system.

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24 particular incentive has to be examined in its particular
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5 government administered plan as you envisage, and using
6 the phrase compulsory, do you refer to compulsion for
7 the recipients of medical care services, and those
8 providing the service? In other words, do doctors have
9 to operate under the plan or would you envisage that
they could operate if they so wished, outside the plan?

10 MR. JACKSON: I would think that the
11 ultimate would be that they would operate completely
within the plan.

12 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What happens
13 if a doctor does not wish to operate under the plan?

14 MR. JACKSON: Well, what happens
15 if the people do not obey the laws in the legislation
16 of the country in other fields? You cannot draw one
17 particular set of rules for the doctors that does not
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18 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: These are
19 the sort of projections that we have run into, and I
20 wonder what your views are?

21 MR. JACKSON: As terms of our
22 recommendation, we proposed nationalization of the drug
23 industry, and are in favour of nationalization in
24 various sectors of the economy as being the only
25 efficient way contrary to our private enterprise way,
26 if you will, that there are certain fields that are
27 of such vital importance to the people as a whole that
28 unless they are administered centrally, that there is
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29 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What would
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4 forced them to belong to a plan that they don't wish
5 to belong to, that they may want to leave and say move
6 to the United States? Would it be in Canada's interest
7 to lose a large number of well qualified men that cost
8 Canada many thousands of dollars to educate?

9 MR. DURST: I would like to say that
10 if a doctor were so mercenary that he only thought of
11 the money involved, and wished to leave the country for
12 those reasons rather than his intended profession, to
13 make people better, that the country would be better
14 off without him.

15 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: But the
16 doctor may say that he is moving because he believes
17 in the principle of freedom of choice, the principle
18 of freedom of deciding what his future will hold.

19 MR. JACKSON: That is his right, but
20 I don't think history bears it out in movements of any
21 substance where medical plans have been introduced.

22 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In other words,
23 if I understand you correctly, you would not be too
24 concerned about Canada losing too many medical people
25 as the result of the introduction of such a comprehensive,
26 State-operated health plan as you recommend?

27 MR. JACKSON: I would put the positive,
28 that under a State-operated plan there would be greater
29 encouragement and incentive for the younger people to
30 come forward, and that the replacements would more than
outweigh the losses.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What is the
basis for that belief sir?



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4 MR. JACKSON: Well, I cannot spell
5 out to you the Hippocratic Oath, but if we are operating
6 within the framework of that principle, I would say
7 that the incentive for a medical man is the service
8 that he can give to his people in maintaining health,
9 and that that would give him greater honour in the
10 community than the fact that he can amass a small fortune
11 in a short period of time on a discriminatory basis,
12 based on the income of the patients.

13 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: The other
14 point that has been made that may affect the quality
15 of medical care services, is that the introduction of
16 a comprehensive medical care plan might make it difficult
17 to provide all the medical care services that would be
18 covered, and therefore, since the doctor has only got
19 so many hours in a day, and so many days in a week that
20 he can practise medicine, the medical care services
21 provided would be reduced, at least for a period, until
22 the supply of doctors has caught up with the demand
23 for their services, and that may take a number of years
24 to achieve that improved balance of supply and demand,
25 and this is a point that has been put forward to us,
26 not only with respect to the medical profession, but
27 perhaps even in stronger terms for the dental profession.

28 What is the answer to this sort of
29 observation?
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Mr. Jackson: I think that the other

point that has been made that the medical man is not a conservative person, and that there is a tendency of medical care services is that the introduction of a conservative person, and that there is a tendency to provide all the medical care services that would be covered, and that the doctor can only get so many hours in a day, and so many days in a week that he can provide medical care services, and that the medical man would be needed, at least for a period of time. The supply of doctors has been reduced with the demand for their services, and that has taken a number of years to achieve that reduction in the supply of doctors, and that is a point that has been made, and that is not only with respect to the medical profession, but perhaps even in other professions, the demand for services is the answer to the question.



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pw MR. JACKSON: Do we have an accurate picture of the distribution of the medical profession throughout the country today, and if we made that examination, would we not find substantial pockets of people living in areas where they are separated by distances and examined that in regard to the medical profession today, I would say under a comprehensive, centralized plan, whatever it was, if the guarantee was there, with the government expenditure, that the services of the medical profession would be much more widely distributed in regard to the needs of the person than is the case today.

The tendency today is for a young student becoming a doctor to set up his business in an urban centre where he feels he will have the greatest possibility of earning a large income. I think, although I have no statistics to prove it, that there must be substantial areas in this country where there is substantial deficiency in the availability of medical services.

That, in my opinion, would be substantially reduced, if not entirely eliminated, under a comprehensive, centralized plan.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I understood you correctly, you would envisage to tell doctors where to practise medicine?

MR. JACKSON: Not necessarily to tell but to offer the opportunities.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What form would the offer take?



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MR. JACKSON: We have not attempted to blueprint the method of payment of the doctor, for instance, whether on a salary basis or fee basis, collected by the Government, but I think those facts would have to be gone into very thoroughly if one is interested today in making certain that every person requiring medical attention would get a medical practitioner, and the incentive to move into such areas would have to be looked at in terms of method of payment between the Government and the doctor; they are related.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: As I understand you, your plan would envisage offering incentives for doctors to move to less densely-populated areas and part of the incentive may be financial, part of it may be facilities to practise, association with hospitals and so on.

MR. JACKSON: We are not attempting to blueprint the actual method of applying a comprehensive, centralized medical plan because that would require some substantial examination in terms of what is the need, and so on. Even one could argue that a flat salary applied would serve to fill many of these vacant areas because that would be higher than what a practitioner today could extract from that area. We are not proposing any particular blueprint in that respect.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I appreciate it and I do not feel we should ask you for the details of such a blueprint. But on the principle of asking people to go to areas you would offer incentives?



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MR. JACKSON: I think under this system you would have to offer some incentive.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: With regard to the dentists, we have been told that there are just not enough dentists in Canada, wherever you look, including many that are beyond the regular retirement age, to really take care of comprehensive health care services in the dental field, and how would you introduce such a plan if you haven't got the skilled manpower to do it?

MR. JACKSON: There again, isn't it for an incentive for the young student to take up dentistry?

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You realize it takes a number of years to train people in the dental profession?

MR. JACKSON: Quite true.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And therefore would I be correct that you would be willing to go along with a program that would introduce comprehensive health care services in stages related to the supply of personnel to provide the services?

MR. JACKSON: Well, you are asking me what I would do if I were the Government in one sense. The Government has considerable power. I say again that the question is encouragement, and you can't move from one position of private enterprise, if you will, in the medical field, to a government, centralized government comprehensive plan in one step tomorrow; there is a grey area before your plan becomes operative



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and provides all the benefits that are required.

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Do I understand you correctly, Mr. Jackson, that given the physical limitations in terms of facilities and given the manpower in developing a program, it may take us five or ten years to achieve what you consider an ideal objective?

MR. JACKSON: In a complete sense, yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And you go along with a program which may take five years to mature?

MR. JACKSON: Yes, if the ultimate is set out and some time limit is set.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And you would consider a five-year program a reasonable objective?

MR. JACKSON: I would say so, to be as complete as we call for.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I may turn to page 3, sir, paragraph 5, sub-paragraph 1, and following up questions which the Chairman raised about a comprehensive health program for the Canadian people. I am just wondering, with the present situation of



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MR. JACKSON: We have no hard and
fast position. I would think the guide lines would
have to be set down by the Federal Government, admini-
stratively it could be apportioned.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You know in
the field of hospital insurance this is how the program
is in operation, it has developed this compromise
within the division of responsibility. Would you find
it acceptable to have a medical care program and other
health care programs developed along the lines
with the principle embodied in the hospital insurance
plan?

MR. JACKSON: I would approach your
question in this way: that I am not certain in my own
mind that the Federal Government exhausted all its powers
in the hospital field, prior to making it a proposition
which a certain number of the provinces had to accept
before it could be put into practice. I am still of
the opinion that given the will by the Federal Government,
the B.N.A. Act is not the obstacle it is made out to be
in terms of federal responsibility. Therefore, I
wouldn't think it would be necessary to be categorical
from our point of view at this moment, pending meeting
the problem of the B.N.A. Act.

The Federal Government did introduce
a plan similar to that in the hospital field, of
providing the funds but leaving administration to the
hospitals.



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THE CHAIRMAN: You would have the Federal Government provide all funds?

MR. JACKSON: I would say yes, all funds, and also the guide lines, as in the hospital field, as to how the funds are to be spent.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: As you know, in the hospital field the Federal Government's contribution is only 50%?

MR. JACKSON: We would prefer a federally-operated plan with the financial responsibility resting on the Federal Government. If it was necessary, because of the B.N.A. Act or other legislative restrictions, to share the administration, we would have no quarrel with that as an initial step.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: How do you achieve a sense of responsibility if one level of responsibility supplies the money and another level spends it? It may be in the interests of Canada and be a more efficient system to have it 50-50.

MR. JACKSON: We would prefer to have complete federal responsibility. I would consider the other as a stop-gap to arrive at full application.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: May I now turn to paragraph 7 on the same page, where you recommend that:

"Drug prices should be drastically lowered and profiteering on the people's illness stopped by nationalizing drug manufacturing and operating needed enterprises as Crown



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companies."

Are you referring here to drug manufacturing in Canada?

MR. JACKSON: It would be manufacturing and distribution in the wholesale sense.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You are really reading my mind; I was going to raise the question: which way does distribution fit in in this paragraph, and you have said in the wholesale sense. How about retail distribution?

MR. JACKSON: No, we would not call for nationalization at the retail level, only at the manufacturing and wholesale level.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In other words, a State-operated agency or Crown company under the State would make these drugs available to retail distributors plus hospitals and other groups requiring them?

MR. JACKSON: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: At cost, I presume?

MR. JACKSON: Whether cost or fixed price, plus other distribution costs.

MR. DURST: But with controlled prices at the retail level; it shouldn't give the individual druggist the opportunity to hike his prices up to the level they are today.

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MR. JACKSON: We would assume that would follow from the ---

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Do you assume or do you recommend?

MR. JACKSON: We would recommend it. On that point, the Government of Norway sets the prices, sets a ceiling price for the retail trade on drugs and also sets a profit limit.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you. If I may now turn to page 23. In paragraph 64 you speak of the medical expense of a family being \$250 in 1961 or 6.5% of the manufacturing worker's total income.

MR. JACKSON: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Is there any implication in that 6.5% figure that the average worker cannot afford to pay \$250 or 6.5 of his total income on what you call medical expense?

MR. JACKSON: I would say yes. If you examine a worker's budget based on what is shown here, I think you would find he is hard put to meet the normal cost of living. It depends on what you are using. You may find it is about 50% of what is required.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Do you feel that because there seems to be a large number of workers in this category which you refer to in paragraph 64, that is one of the reasons why you recommend a national medical care plan, compulsory and State-operated?



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MR. JACKSON: There is more than one reason, but that is one of the compelling reasons, if you will, and with the application of the average, it can be very hefty in one case and very nominal in another.

THE CHAIRMAN: I suppose the basic reason is that you don't subscribe to the free enterprise system?



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MR. JACKSON: Let us say we do not subscribe holus-bolus to the free enterprise system. We think it needs some doctoring in the form of some degree of nationalization in key sectors of the economy. You see the other side of the coin for these workers in trade unions is they negotiate with their employer for a portion of their wages to go to health in the form of insurance plans, medical plans and so on. It is very often an uneven application throughout the mass of the working people in this country and is robbing, if you will, part of the cash income, the increase in cash income the workers may be able to secure from the employers. We consider this is an area of Federal Government responsibility, not a responsibility of collective bargaining.

THE CHAIRMAN: This goes back to the first statement you made that health was primarily the responsibility of Government, the Federal Government.

MR. JACKSON: Right. I tied that in with the needs of the nation in terms of expansion of gross national product and the requirements of productivity. These are all inter-related and as such we say except G.N.P. it is the responsibility to provide environment, atmosphere and the necessary administration.

THE CHAIRMAN: I am just rounding out your approach, and that is why you say it should be the Federal Government that should pay the total bill.

MR. JACKSON: Right.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Jackson, a little earlier this afternoon we had before us the Ontario Chamber of Commerce. They made the point that



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3 in their view based on experience they have had in the
4 Province of Ontario the majority of people in Ontario
5 are able to take care of their own health expenditures
6 and that the people that were really in need was a
7 minority group.

8 MR. JACKSON: How did they prove that
9 point?

10 THE CHAIRMAN: They said actually they
11 were covered by some form of prepayment agreement, prepay-
12 ment plans.

13 MR. JACKSON: Did the Chamber go into
14 the examination of averaging out the various types of
15 plans that people are covered by in this Province. I
16 think if they did that, they would be put to the proof of
17 their statement as to working people being adequately
18 covered. We don't believe from our examination they are.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What evidence
20 have you to support your observation?

21 MR. JACKSON: We have some 65 different
22 contracts with different corporations. There is no common
23 denominator in terms of the extent of medical and hospital
24 coverage. It varies from plant to plant, depending on
25 the bargaining situation in each plant. In none is it
26 comprehensive, in none. There is a levy in addition to
27 the premium. Some companies pay the whole premium. Some
28 pay half, some pay a quarter, but in almost every case I
29 would say in every case there is still a residue of cost
30 the worker has to meet above what is covered under these
plans. I would certainly ask the Chamber of Commerce to
prove their point with some statistics of the extent of



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coverage and how well people are covered in these programs. The fact there are a substantial number or substantial percentage....

THE CHAIRMAN: We have had figures, not from that brief, but from several others showing the various categories of coverage including this.

MR. DURST: In my own personal plant the company pays half of P.S.I., but now we find, I found this from personal experience when we call a doctor this is taken care of through P.S.I., but he prescribes a drug for \$10.00, \$12.00, \$20.00, and the average worker who is raising a family finds that cuts down part of the groceries, you see, and while the doctor's visit is taken care of, or in the case of need, an operation, but there again in our case the price of drugs adds up a good deal to it. I for one have known a number of people personally who have lost everything they worked and saved for through some illness. I cannot myself see there is any justification in a system where a person can lose their life-savings through some kind of illness that is no fault of theirs, or whether it be their own fault. Those of us who are directly associated with working people, we see these things all the time and this is one of the reasons why we feel so strongly for socialized medicine.

THE CHAIRMAN: That is what you want, socialized medicine.

MR. JACKSON: They put tabs on everything. We call it comprehensive.

THE CHAIRMAN: So the people on the street can understand it.



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MR. JACKSON: It is an impression a lot of people carry. I wouldn't accept that label to this plan. It is a comprehensive plan paid for by the Federal Government. That is not socialization.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Jackson, one point that has been put to us has been something like 60% of the Canadian population are being covered by various plans, medically-sponsored or commercial plans, and the proportion continues to rise with the expectation that perhaps, 70, 75% may be covered in the next few years. Why should there be a State-operated plan compulsory for all introduced to take care of just a minority? That is an argument that has been put up to us, why a national plan should take care of a minority when the coverage has already been able to take care of those in what they apparently consider are adequate plans, otherwise they wouldn't be paying for such plans.

MR. JACKSON: The plans they are receiving is what they feel they can afford to pay for. It doesn't necessarily give them what we are looking for, or what they desire, namely complete health coverage and the treatments, preventive and curative.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In other words, you feel that the existing system is not comprehensive enough and not adequate enough and the only way to achieve comprehensiveness, adequacy and universality is through the plan you proposed.

MR. JACKSON: Plus equality of distribution of costs through taxation.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Which, in fact,



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is really a means of redistributing income.

MR. JACKSON: We make the point on a taxation basis as a source of increasing the general revenue of the country.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Which is a redistribution of income, those in the high income pay more and the lower pay less or nothing.

MR. JACKSON: Our definition of a certain minimum of decency in health as a standard for the Canadian people with a guarantee by Government that is the minimum.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Have you any suggestions of what is the desirable minimum?

MR. JACKSON: Cash-wise?

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Any way you wish.

MR. JACKSON: I say that we have no standard --- no objectives established in Canada. We did have at one time established by the Ontario Welfare -- the Toronto Welfare, I think it was, which was used as a criterion for argumentation as to living standards. The only budget that stands out today in the North American Continent is the Heller Budget which places \$6,500.00 to \$6,800.00 as the minimum of health and decency. The Bureau of Labour Standards apply some of the American studies and transpose it into Canadian costs which would be about \$500.00 to \$700.00 less than that figure. The average wages in this country don't come near it at all. They are substantially below every one of those figures.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you very much.



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COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Are you familiar with the H.I.P. plan in New York?

MR. JACKSON: No, I am afraid I am not. Is that a municipal plan?

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: No, it is an insurance plan, 7,000,000 labour people.

THE CHAIRMAN: 1,000,000.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: I am sorry, 1,000,000.

MR. JACKSON: Operated by group unions. I don't know it specifically, no.

THE CHAIRMAN: Very well, Mr. Jackson. Thank you for your attendance here, for your brief and your willingness to discuss the matter with us.

MR. JACKSON: Thank you for your interest.

THE SECRETARY: The next submission will be that of the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapy, which will be known as Exhibit 309. Mrs. Smith will introduce the delegation.



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THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

---EXHIBIT NO. 309: Submission of the Canadian
Association of Occupational
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MISS M. LANGLEY,
MISS H. JENSEN.

MRS. SMITH: Mr. Justice Hall and
Members of the Royal Commission, I would like to present
my colleagues to you. On my far right is Miss Margaret
Langley, who is an adviser to Committee on Psychiatric
Service; Dr. Curry, who is Vice-President of our
Association and is advising today on medical matters;
Mrs. Thelma Cardwell, who is Vice-President of the Asso-
ciation and will be advising on educational matters; on
my left Dr. J. Swanson, who is President of our Association
and Adviser on Medical Matters and on my far left Miss
Helen Jensen, who will advise on matters pertaining to
physical disabilities.

It is my privilege along with my
colleagues to present the brief submitted by the Canadian
Association of Occupational Therapy. It is assumed the
Commissioners have had the opportunity to review the
full content of our submission as it was laid down in the
prescribed form. In speaking to the brief it is our wish



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As you know, the occupational therapist is one of the paramedical personnel recognized as essential in the team of specialists whose responsibility is the rehabilitation of the physically and mentally disabled. The contribution which can be made is directly related to the quality and quantity of personnel. For many years the supply of occupational therapists has been greatly less than demand. This has had an adverse effect upon the quality of service which must be made available if the disabled are to be re-established as functioning members of our society. We emphasize functioning, as this is the area in which occupational therapy makes its greatest contribution.

In reference to the shortage of personnel, I would draw your attention to the statement on page 1, paragraph 4, that 656 additional occupational therapists are required to staff present established facilities. This means that many services are operating far below the required complement of staff and that many hospitals with facilities for occupational therapy have no therapist to use those facilities. With only 319 occupational therapists employed in the treatment of patients throughout Canada, the present shortage, in reference only to services with occupational therapy departments, is more than double the number employed.



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When one considers the number of new departments in rehabilitation centres, and hospitals which have no occupational therapy facilities, the shortage becomes almost double again, and obviously cannot be alleviated without the early implementation of action to resolve the situation. Our recommendations, therefore, deal mainly with suggested methods of increasing the quantity in the shortest possible time, without sacrificing quality. This involves the establishment of additional schools, with basic courses in occupational therapy which meet the minimum standards --- two academic years with six months of practical experience in addition. It is from this basic course that we recommend that provision be made for advanced education to prepare a more limited number of therapists for positions of supervisory, teaching and specialists responsibilities.

It is also our contention that adjustments in curriculum, increased salaries would attract more students and in particular male students whose years of service can be expected to greatly exceed that of the female graduate.

To acquaint prospective students with occupational therapy as a health service career, a greatly increased publicity campaign should be initiated at national, provincial and local levels. The Association recognizes its own responsibility in this regard but would appreciate increased assistance from the federal and provincial publicity authority.

There is evidence that many students who wish to become therapists are unable to finance their



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education beyond high school. It is recommended that grants, bursaries, and scholarships be made available to this group. Financial assistance is also necessary to enable graduate therapists to undertake post-graduate education in special fields of service, in administration and in teaching. To develop more schools, teachers must be prepared and this requires a greater outlay of funds than many therapists are able to accumulate from present salaries.

In order to make the most efficient use of occupational therapy facilities, it is recommended that medical students and members of medical associations be provided with more information as to current rehabilitation procedures with emphasis on the role of the para-medical professions which, of course, include occupational therapy.

There is also need for standards to be established for the physical facilities and programs of occupational therapy in specific fields of service. This can be most adequately accomplished by seeking the collaboration of the Association of occupational therapists whose experience qualifies them to give expert assistance. Advisory committees on rehabilitation of the handicapped would be strengthened if the opinions of the professional organizations representing the para-medical groups were considered.



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4 We presented a somewhat condensed
5 version of our recommendations, which you have before
6 you in a much more formal manner, and we are now
7 prepared to enlarge on any section of it as suits your
8 pleasure.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much,
10 Mrs. Smith. This is one of the areas where the
11 shortage is so great that it is something like the
12 supply of dentists. It is rather difficult to see just
13 where you start at all.

14 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Mrs. Smith,
15 because of this shortage of occupational therapists
16 that you have mentioned, I notice in your brief that
17 you are planning a two-year course. I presume this
18 is because of the shortage, the basic two-year course,
19 is that right?

20 MRS. SMITH: We are not planning one,
21 we have suggested that a basic two-year course would
22 be adequate to qualify.

23 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: You recommend
24 a basic two-year course?

25 MRS. SMITH: Yes.

26 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: But you also
27 have a special course sponsored by your Association that
28 is an 18-month course?

29 MRS. SMITH: That is right.

30 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: What would be
the difference between these two courses, or would this
special course disappear, or would they be ---

MRS. SMITH: No, the special course is



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4 planned for people with an advanced education and
5 previous professional training, and it is felt that
6 they are able to absorb the necessary knowledge in a
7 faster period of time. The people who are admitted to
8 that course must have a university degree, a diploma,
9 qualifications in nursing, or in teaching. The two-year
10 course which I suggested also has an additional six
11 months, which makes it two and a half years, rather than
12 two years. The six months being practical experience,
13 which is after all part and parcel of general education.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Clinical experience?

15 MRS. SMITH: That is right.

16 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Then there is
17 a trend, some universities are planning to, instead of
18 having the three-year course and ending up with preparing
19 physiotherapists and occupational therapists, they are,
20 after the second year, dividing, and preparing either
21 one or the other. Would this be helpful in alleviating
22 the shortage of occupational therapists?

23 MRS. SMITH: Well, it still is a
24 greater length of time, because under the present system
25 of combined training, in addition to the three years
26 academic work at the universities, there is another
27 seven months of clinical internment, which makes it
28 the equivalent of four academic years actually, so that
29 the other would reduce it by somewhere near a year and
30 a half in getting people out more quickly.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: You mean the
two-year course?

MRS. SMITH: Yes, with the six months.

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they are able to accept the necessary limitations in a
limited period of time. The people who are admitted to
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one year. The six months being practical experience,
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I am glad to hear that clinical experience

is being given. Then there is

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after the second year, dividing, and preparing either
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the shortage of occupational therapists?

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question of timing. I think under the present system
of combined the course, in addition to the three years
of combined work at the universities, there is another
seven and a half years of clinical experience, which makes
the education of a physiotherapist or occupational therapist, so that
the other way of doing it by someone needs a year and

a half in hospital practice and more than five

years of clinical experience. I think the

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4 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Well then,
5 what is the idea of this other one? What are the
6 benefits that will accrue to occupational therapists
7 by being vocational at the third year? The trend now
8 is at the end of the second year to split, and have
9 occupational or physiotherapists. What will be the
10 advantages of this?

11 MRS. SMITH: This is not really the
12 trend across the whole country. We are getting to the
13 place now where there are hardly two schools presenting
14 the same curriculum in the same length of time.

15 For example, the University of Montreal,
16 as you may have heard when we presented the brief in
17 Quebec, is changing from a three-year combined course
18 to separate two-year courses. McGill University has
19 a combined year, and then the students specialize in
20 the next year. The University of Toronto is combined
21 throughout. The University of Manitoba enrolls girls
22 into a two-year course in separate diplomas. The
23 University of Alberta gives them two years combined,
24 and then separates in the third year. The University
25 of British Columbia is combined for two years, and this
26 requires one year of clinical practice in addition, so
27 that we cannot say that there is any special trend that
28 is going to -- although the one indication is that the
29 trend to combined training is not continuing. There
30 is more separation.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: What are your
chances of getting more male occupational therapists,
to alleviate the shortages again?



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4 MRS. SMITH: Well, the only experience
5 we have on which to base this is our own special course
6 in Kingston, which has graduated the first male students
7 to be graduated in Canada, and when the present class
8 is finished we will have graduated eight male students.
9 We are presently enrolling students for 1962, and we
10 have at this moment five applicants from male students.

11 You see, up until fairly recently the
12 universities didn't admit male students to training.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: Are you able to foresee
14 sufficient income for the male to justify, to attract
15 more into that field?



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MRS. SMITH: I think this will attract a certain group of male students. Many of the ones we have now are men who have taken nursing, perhaps in England or some other country, and feel that they would like to ---

THE CHAIRMAN: There is a logical ---

MRS. SMITH: Yes, there is a logical connection, rehabilitation.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there a differentiation of income between the male graduate and the female graduate?

MRS. SMITH. No.

THE CHAIRMAN: Once they go into therapy work in one of the institutions?

MRS. SMITH: No. The only thing is that the male student stays long enough to take advantage of the higher salaries and they go into administrative positions.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You are losing the men if they move into administrative positions as therapists?

MRS. SMITH: But you have always them in the departments.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: On page 6, paragraph 14, insofar as the correlation of all health services, you say here:

"In respect to occupational therapy in particular, the service must be correlated with other rehabilitation services in hospitals, rehabilitation



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centres, other institutions and
home care programs."

Would you like to clarify this for
my information? My impression is that occupational
therapists are always working in departments or
rehabilitation services or rehabilitation centres.
Would you have occupational therapists working alone
and not in correlation with rehabilitation centres?

MRS. SMITH: But there are circumstances
where the various disciplines making up the para-medical
services are not well-co-ordinated in hospitals. There
are situations of that kind. We also refer to home care
programs where they could be out in the district. They
are well-correlated in rehabilitation centres but there
are some hospitals in which they are not well-correlated.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mrs. Smith,
may we turn to page 3, paragraph (b), sub-paragraph (i),
in which you recommend financial assistance in the
form of grants, bursaries and/or scholarships be made
available to students in undergraduate courses, and
fellowships for advanced education in such specialties
as psychiatry, orthopaedics, administration and teaching.
Have you any suggestions, Mrs. Smith, on what you would
consider an adequate scholarship for a year at the
undergraduate level and, secondly, at the graduate level?

MRS. SMITH: Mr. Firestone, you
remember we were asked this question at the Quebec
Society and prepared an addenda for you which was
attached to our brief.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, it is here.



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MRS. SMITH: Does it answer your question, Mr. Firestone?

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I see here that you are referring to a sum of \$300,000 to be allotted to provide two hundred \$1,500 bursaries in the first year. Are these bursaries for undergraduate or graduate students?

MRS. SMITH: Undergraduate.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And at the present level you are suggesting that the sum of \$25,000 be made available?

MRS. SMITH: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And the amounts that are suggested are \$1,200, \$2,400 and \$3,600, also plus travelling expenses?

MRS. SMITH: That is correct.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Now, if 200 bursaries were made available, is there an adequate number of worthy applicants to make use of these bursaries?

MRS. SMITH: Well, Mr. Firestone, the figure 200 was based on information which we obtained as to a suggested need. We contacted the University of Toronto, contacted the Department of National Health Grants and from correspondence in our own office we found in the past year there had been 75 enquiries about bursary support from students at the University of Toronto.

Now, that represents roughly one-third of the total number of students enrolled at the university, and in estimating the possible enrolment for 1962-63



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in all the schools of the country, we came up with a figure of around 625 students, so we assumed that a third would be 200.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You would feel that the availability of these bursaries would increase the supply of students materially, because you are not just interested in the financing only, you are also trying to use this as a device to attract more young people into the field?

MRS. SMITH: Yes, and also using it to attract the right type of young people. There are many young people who have a very high academic standing who cannot afford to enroll and from the enquiries we have got, the students are interested but they haven't got the money and they go into something else.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you find any hesitation in the enquiries about the conditional aspect of having to --

MRS. SMITH: That we have suggested here?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MRS. SMITH: Of course, this has never been tried with undergraduate students; I don't think so as far as we are concerned. There are some of the provinces that do offer bursaries with return in service, but there are very few, and this, of course, is the student's choice.

For instance, they either work it out or buy it out if they wish. I feel a great many of the



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3 students, if they had assistance for the first year,
4 could probably assist themselves in their second and
5 third years. It is getting started, and when they are
6 doing intern work they are in the hospital and at that
7 time they receive an honorarium, although it is not
8 enough to provide for them in the first year but it is
9 enough to get them started.

10 There are also loans by the universi-
11 ties for a student who has completed one year and
12 can't continue.

13 So if the funds were available we
14 could probably keep them going.

15 THE CHAIRMAN: In regard to the sugges-
16 tion of additional courses at Dalhousie, Saskatchewan,
17 have any overtures, approaches, been made to the Schools
18 of Medicine at either place to see if these additional
19 courses might be inaugurated?

20 MRS. SMITH: We have had correspondence
21 with the University of Saskatchewan; we have had no
22 direct correspondence with Dalhousie. I have discussed
23 the matter with various doctors on the staff of the
24 University, Faculty of Medicine, at Dalhousie, and at
25 the last conversation they were discussing some plan
26 where there might be a four-Maritime Province promotion
27 for a school.

28 They feel that each one is probably
29 too small, but if there could be a four-way support of
30 such a school this might best be accomplished, and I
believe they are giving it earnest consideration.

THE CHAIRMAN: I suppose the idea of



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a school in the section not now served also makes it easier to recruit?

MRS. SMITH: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: For instance, in the whole of the Atlantic situation now?

MRS. SMITH: Yes, and you find once you have a school in the area your services develop, in the hospital, because they have a continuing supply of personnel.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are there any other observations or explanations you would like to make, Mrs. Smith, or any of your associates here? You know, as we discuss the thing, some ideas occur and they are sort of lost unless we develop it right at the time.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: May I ask one more question in regard to female students? Why do you think you have to attract male students in your special course and you haven't had to in your other courses? Was it because it was a shorter course?

MRS. SMITH: I don't know what the reason is. Our students come to us in rather a different way than the students come to the universities. Again, we have been fortunate in that our course has been approved for federal and provincial grants to support it, and also bursaries have been made available for students to take the course, and under the provincial regulations the student must be sponsored by a hospital.

Therefore, many of the hospitals have found a likely candidate that they want to send for



A school in the section not now served also makes it easier to recruit.

THE CHAIRMAN: The instance, in the

whole of the Atlantic situation now?

MR. SMITH: Yes, and you find once

you have a school in the area your service develops in the hospital, because then have a continuing supply of personnel.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are there any other

observations or explanations you would like to make, Mr. Smith, on any of your service areas here? You know, as we discuss the thing, some ideas occur and they are sent or lost unless we develop it right at the time. COMMISSIONER CLARK: May I ask one

more question in regard to local situations? Why do you think you have to attract more students in your special course and you haven't had to in your other courses? Was it because it was a shorter course? MR. SMITH: I don't know what the

reason is. Our students come to us in rather a different way than the students come to the universities here, we have been fortunate in that our course has been approved for federal aid and now we are able to attract it, and also because we have made a special effort to attract the students, and attract the university regulations the students must be attracted by a

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found a fairly considerable that they want to send me



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training to come back to them to work in their occupational therapy department. So, these men have been selected by their sponsoring hospital to take the course.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: But they might have got that bursary in the same way from the other courses?

MRS. SMITH: Another thing, our students are older than the university students; some are in their late 30's and not admissible to the university courses.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: It is to get your idea how to go about getting them. Thank you very much.

THE CHAIRMAN: This recommended salary scale in Appendix D - you may have said so - what is the difference in the range of this recommended scale from the present scale?

MRS. SMITH: Well, the present scale now averages a starting salary of about \$3,600.

THE CHAIRMAN: About 10%?

MRS. SMITH: About 10%.

THE CHAIRMAN: And you have to negotiate this, I suppose, at the various places? Is there any indication this may be accepted?

MRS. SMITH: We don't expect it to be accepted the year it comes out, ever, but we find whenever a scale comes out there is a general upgrading. One or two institutions have accepted the scale at the present time. They are institutions which employ a



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large number of therapists, and I think it will have
some influence on other institutions in those particular
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THE CHAIRMAN: I suppose ultimately the adoption of a proper wage-scale is probably the best thing you could do for improving?

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DR. SWANSON: I would like to make one comment on Appendix B chart 5 the bottom of page B3. There are some figures, which I am sure you read, but the full significance of them may not have been appreciated. Employed in January of 1957 were 216 Canadian graduates and employed in December of 1961 were 218, which represents a growth of two in five academic years. This is a very difficult thing to explain.

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THE CHAIRMAN: Unless marriage is the answer.

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DR. SWANSON: It may be, but I think the point is there has been a very great upsurge of interest in physical medicine and physiotherapy and all doctors have been very interested in physiotherapists, not as interested in the occupational aspects of rehabilitation as we ought to have been. This leads into areas it is not easy to talk about. I think it should be known the science and art of occupational therapy has not been recognized. One hears more about physiotherapy and less about occupational therapy. One in the field of arthritis and other fields

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THE CHAIRMAN: The medical profession may have to take part of the blame?

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DR. SWANSON: I think so. I think it is very true. It is very hard to convince some of the members of the profession because they can see quick results of exercise of muscles and they fail to



DR. WATKINS: I suppose after that

the question of a more complete scale is probably the

last thing you would be for improvement?

DR. WATKINS: I would like to make

the comment on your chart is that the bottom of your

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interest in physical medicine and physiotherapy and

all doctors have been very interested in physiotherapy.

It is as interested in the non-physical aspects of

rehabilitation as we used to be. This leads

me to think it is not easy to find a doctor who

would not know the physical and not on occupational

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see over a long term in a chronic program it is what
you do with the muscle. You have to retrain and
exercise and this takes a lot of time and patience and
in certain aspects rehabilitation needs more occupational
than physiotherapy. This is not to decry in any way
physiotherapy but to cry more on behalf of occupational.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much
Miss Smith and your associates. We are getting around
to what has now come to be a long day. We are grateful
to you for your brief and the help you have given us
and the additional information which we asked for and
which has now been furnished. Thank you very much.

We will adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow
morning.

---ADJOURNMENT.

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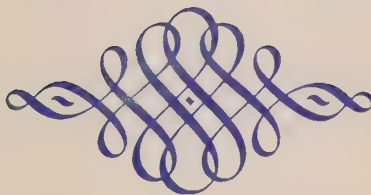
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Toronto, Ontario,
Thursday, 24th May, 1962.

--- On commencing at 9.30 a.m.

THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the first submission this morning is from the Canadian Council for Crippled Children and Adults, to be known as Exhibit 310, and Dr. Armstrong will introduce his group to the Commission and present his recommendations.

--- EXHIBIT NO. 310: Submission of the Canadian Council for Crippled Children and Adults.

SUBMISSION OF THE CANADIAN COUNCIL FOR
CRIPPLED CHILDREN AND ADULTS

Appearances: Dr. Keith S. Armstrong
Dr. Ralph Struthers
Mr. William Macklaier

DR. ARMSTRONG: Mr. Chairman, I would like to introduce Dr. Ralph Struthers, who is the Medical Consultant of the Canadian Council for Crippled Children and Adults and Mr. Macklaier, who is a member of my Executive.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you wish to proceed in whatever way you want to deal with your submission?

DR. ARMSTRONG: I will just read the introduction which forms the summary and the recommendations of the brief.

1. The Canadian Council for Crippled Children and Adults (hereinafter for brevity called The Council) speaks for fourteen provincial organizations which conduct service programs for the rehabilitation of disabled persons. This submission will concern itself



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These amendments to the Canadian Council for the Physically Handicapped, to be known as Exhibit 3, and Mr. Armstrong will introduce his group to the Commission and present his recommendations.

EXHIBIT NO. 3: Amendment of the Canadian Council for the Physically Handicapped and Adults.

SUBMISSION TO THE CANADIAN COUNCIL

Appointed: Dr. Keith S. Armstrong

MR. ARMSTRONG: Mr. Chairman, I would

like to introduce Dr. Ralph Struthers, who is the Medical Consultant of the Canadian Council for the Physically Handicapped and Adults and Mr. MacKinnon, who is a member of my Executive.

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for the most part with the crippled child.

2. The programs provided by the provincial organizations vary from province to province. Many of the organizations have submitted separate briefs. The range of services provided include early discovery, diagnosis, treatment, parent counselling, public education, prosthetic appliances and equipment, education, vocational training, psycho-social services, recreational summer camps, and transportation. The Council is a federation and as such is concerned with supporting the provincial programs, improving the quantity and quality of services rendered, and studying problems which are of concern to the provincial organizations. A more detailed description of the Council's program is outlined in appendix "D".

3. There are no reliable figures regarding the incidence of crippling among children. Estimates vary between 65,000 and 85,000 children. One difficulty in obtaining an accurate figure is the differences between provinces in their definition of a crippled child. This submission recommends that a register should be established in each province, using uniform definitions and methods of recording.

4. The crippled children's societies provide services to fifty thousand children each year. The nature of these services varies upon the need of the individual child. In some instances it may be necessary only to provide transportation or a special piece of equipment; with others, prolonged medical or educational services may be necessary.



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5. The combined budgets for the year 1960 of the affiliated organizations was \$2,500,000 per annum - of which \$1,500,000 is derived from the sale of Easter Seals. In addition to these funds the provincial organizations received \$350,000 from government sources in payment for services rendered.

6. This submission is concerned with the contribution of the voluntary agency in the rehabilitation of disabled persons, and in particular the crippled child. The voluntary health agency is not a charitable organization, but rather an association of citizens interested in specific health problems. They are interested in providing community-wide services, measures of prevention, and research. Because of the structure of the health agency, it has a unique and vital role to play in providing total health care for the community.

7. Rehabilitation cannot be considered to be a separate discipline. It can be practised by all professions who recognize four basic principles; namely, (a) the treatment of the individual as a total person, (b) the worth of human personality, (c) the right of every person to the results of existing knowledge which can reduce the effects of disability, (d) the responsibility of the community for the well-being of all its members.

8. The most effective means of achieving this end involves a partnership relation between government services and the voluntary efforts of the people. If, however, the voluntary health



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agencies are to function in such a relationship it is necessary that they co-ordinate their efforts without losing the unique characteristics and strength which they enjoy as specialized agencies.

9. The Council believes that this purpose can be achieved through the proposed Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled. This is explained in greater detail in paragraphs 53 to 59 of this brief.

10. The recommendations contained in this brief are:

1. That the national voluntary health agencies in co-operation with the appropriate departments of Government, accept responsibility for establishing standard procedures for crippled disabled persons registers so that a summary of the information contained in these registers can be correlated nationally.

2. That with regard to the Disabled Persons Act 1953 - Chapter 35 - The Disability Pension be given without regard to economic means, that it be subject to the Income Tax Act.

3. That a grant-in-aid program for the training of personnel in the social services be initiated by the Government of Canada, and that such grants be in the form of bursaries

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applicant having to have a sponsoring
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Since this brief was submitted, the
Department of National Welfare has announced a program
which, in part, covers this recommendation.

4. That all National Health and ..
Welfare organizations be required to
file with the Secretary of State, an
annual financial statement on a
prescribed form, which will include:
- (a) The gross returns of any national
appeal for funds:
 - (b) The budget allocated to the
national office:
 - (c) The cost of raising these funds:
 - (d) The amount allocated to public
education, advertising, research and
services:
 - (e) Any reserve or designated funds:
 - (f) Capital funds:

That is the introduction, which is
respectfully submitted by the Canadian Council for
Crippled Children and Adults.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much,
Dr. Armstrong. Yesterday morning at this time we had
the Ontario Society, Dr. Davidson and his associates.
Now, they are the Ontario section of this same basic
organization?

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DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes, that is right.

THE CHAIRMAN: And it was my privilege last night, with Dr. Davidson, to go through the rehabilitation centre, the new one on Rumsey Road, and it is a most remarkable institution; that is the one that was just opened.

What part does the Canadian Council play, if any, in the organization and support of such an institution, because I take it there are others throughout Canada?

DR. ARMSTRONG: Our part is more or less a consultative organization. The Canadian Council is a federation of independent, autonomous, provincial societies. We have no direct control over the program that they outline for themselves.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, I was thinking more of the financing.

DR. ARMSTRONG: In the financing we are responsible for the production of the Easter Seal, for the type of publicity that is carried on during the campaign, and for any supporting material that we can give the provincial organizations.

THE CHAIRMAN: Still on this matter, that is a public appeal of course, the Easter Seal. Is that the only public appeal which the Canadian Council makes?

DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Your Recommendation No. 4, that a return be filed with the Secretary of State. Would you mind expanding that? There must be some



DR. ARTHUR: Yes, that is correct.

THE CHAIRMAN: And it was my impression

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a most remarkable institution; that is the one that

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DR. ARTHUR: Our part is very small.

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can give the provincial organizations.

THE CHAIRMAN: Still on this matter,

that is a definite aspect of course, the Eastern Bell.

is that the only point of contact with the Canadian

Council Council?

DR. ARTHUR: From the Canadian Council

is that a point of contact with the Secretary of State,

would you want to know that?



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discussion, some reason why this type of recommendation would come forward at this time?

DR. ARMSTRONG: The reason Recommendation No. 4 was placed in there is the fact that we believe that the citizen wants to support the charity of his choice. That he has an interest in some activity in his community, and that the basis of a good deal of criticism that is levied against the voluntary agency is the uncertainty in the mind of the donor as to whether or not his money is really going to the cause for which he gave it.

We don't believe that government can control the activity of the voluntary agency, but in one regard the Government, we feel, has a responsibility, and that is to safeguard money that is being given by the citizen to some particular cause.

Now, you can get the financial report of any organization that you ask for but it is difficult to compare those financial statements, because auditors make them up differently. They are made up for different purposes, and so forth, and we feel that if there was a uniform format that agencies had to follow, they could be compared and could be filed with the Secretary of State, so that its use wouldn't be abused. That this would give the confidence that the donor wants to contribute to whatever he happens to be interested in.

THE CHAIRMAN: Perhaps, Mr. Macklaier, this question may be more properly addressed to you. Do you see, in our constitutional position, the feasibility of Parliament making such a stipulation?



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4 MR. MACKLAIER: Well, Mr. Chairman,
5 that does raise a nice constitutional question, of
6 course. I suppose there is some precedent for it in
7 the Act which has received Royal assent, but has not
8 been proclaimed in force. It is this fancy Act, with
9 the fancy titles, which includes labour unions, but I
10 think that includes all organizations within the
11 federal jurisdiction of the federal authority.

12 Now, whether or not there is some
13 broad aspect of, say, Section 91 of the B.N.A. Act
14 that of itself would be sufficient sanction for this,
15 I would hope there might be, but this is something
16 which is at national health level and in the interests
17 of national health we ask that this be done.

18 Whether any teeth could be put in
19 such a thing to put the bite on provincial organizations,
20 we chose not to do it. Let us say that would be a nice
21 question.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: I suppose you are
23 starting over from scratch, and when the organization
24 goes to Parliament for their special Act or private
25 bill or even to the Secretary of State for incorporation,
26 that the condition might be written in to require a
27 report in a certain form?

28 MR. MACKLAIER: Yes, of course. I
29 think if one proceeds on the premise that the organiza-
30 tion is a gift of the federal authority, in those cases
I don't think you would need it in the charter. You
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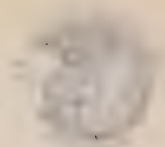


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THE CHAIRMAN: No, but I was thinking even in those case where incorporation may be obtained in Ottawa under what is now the Provincial field, but some addition may be written into the private bill.

MR. MACKLAIER: Right.

THE CHAIRMAN: Such as we have had under, not quite comparable, but under the religious societies.

MR. MACKLAIER: Right. One question, Mr. Chairman, you asked Dr. Armstrong, an illustration as to just what is the character of the Canadian Council.

I have always felt that the very simplest explanation of that is that it is somewhat like the Association of Canadian Clubs, of which most of us know, its relationship to the Canadian Club in Montreal, the Canadian Club in Winnipeg, and so forth. It is there to assist each of the local organizations, although the local organizations are not organically a part of the Federal organization.

In your reference to the Ontario Society yesterday, you said it was part of our organization. Well, it is and it isn't; it is not organically part of our organization. Our organization is the Federal organization which endeavours to correlate all these organizations and service as a common meeting place of each and common pool of each, trying to impart that to all of the others, and that is duly developed in the paragraph on organization.

I just want to make it quite clear that the Canadian Council is above all these others.



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They are affiliated to it, but they are not organically part of it.

And similarly fund-raising. The annual Easter Seal campaign is put on in virtue of a franchise which emanates from the Canadian Council, but it is actually put on at Provincial level by Provincial organizations. So it is rather a hybrid thing. All the money from the Easter Seals does not all roll into the coffers of the organization; they get a very modest percentage of it, for the Canadian Council as such to keep functioning.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: After Section 53-59, when you speak of the present organizations being amalgamated and no longer exist as such, what is the relationship to the Provincials? Do the Provincials have a similar merger or do they still have a close, or dissociated with the parent body?

MR. MACKLAIER: From the legal point of view the expanded, let's call it Federal organization will be somewhat in pattern to the other organization, but they will have got bigger and become big by process of amalgamation. The Provincial organizations which will work in affiliation with the expanded Federal organization will be autonomous, just as they are autonomous now.

MR. ARMSTRONG: In seven out of the ten provinces this Provincial merger is already taking place, and the purpose is to complete that on the national level and also to provide a medium for the other organizations interested in rehabilitation who can become associated with this and find a meeting-ground for all



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the associations interested in this field.

MR. MACKLAIER: It is a very wonderful and exciting thing.

THE CHAIRMAN: I know it is in operation in the Province of Saskatchewan.

DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes. The Province of Saskatchewan and its Council. It is a sort of a pattern of what we hope will be seen on the national level.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: There is no change, then, in the relationships between the Provincial and the Federal; it is that same loose thing, it is not brought closer together or spread further apart.

DR. ARMSTRONG: We think this would help very definitely to it being a Federal responsibility.

THE CHAIRMAN: I want to go back to this point of which Item 4 is a manifestation. Have you any view to give on this what we might call multiplicity of appeals by national and Provincial organizations for the charitable dollar? This is in terms dealing with that subject but in a more limited way. Yesterday the Canadian Organization of Health and Physical Education, and so forth, were suggesting there should be a coordinating body in Canada to control and, perhaps not legal control, but to exercise some form of cooperative control over all these appeals, and that would be including yours as well.

Have you any views to express on that, the multiplicity of appeals, and whether anything can be done to prevent the further fragmentation of the field and the increasing number of appeals?

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of appeals by national and provincial organizations for

any view to give on this what we might call multiplicity

this point of view I want to say is a manifestation. Have you

Mr. Chairman: I want to go back to

very definitely to saying a federal responsibility.

Mr. Chairman: We think this would

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change, then, in the relationship between the Provincial

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of what we have seen on the national level.

Saskatchewan and the Dominion, it is a sort of a pattern

of what we have seen on the national level. The province of

in the province of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Chairman: I know it is in operation

and exciting thing.

Mr. Chairman: It is a very wonderful

the associations interested in this field.

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DR. ARMSTRONG: We feel that this new organization should facilitate this problem. As an illustration, the Canadian Cysticfibrosis Foundation was organized in 1959 and was organized by a group of parents who were very much concerned with the very real problem, which included drugs, inhalation equipment, and so on, and they had encouragement from the National Foundation in the United States to go out on a fund-raising appeal, and so on, and they came to us for advice and we took the attitude that these people had a legitimate concern and a legitimate right to become organized to try and meet their problem. If we can find the answer to their problem within the existing resources of the voluntary agencies and Governments themselves, we had no right to prevent them going to the public.

So what we have done is provide them with the necessary administrative facilities in the office, we give them service.

And we have also opposed the various agencies who have related interest to their problem, but we are hoping we can find a solution for their problem without the necessity of their going to the public on another appeal. This group has been very happy to join in that type of relationship, and I feel that if the major voluntary health agencies in Canada will accept this type of responsibility to these new problems as they come up the multiplicity of appeals can be controlled, but if you try to force control, then the health agencies immediately get on the defensive.

THE CHAIRMAN: Can you foresee some form off a cooperative effort on the part of these major



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and minor appeals to deal with the problem as you did deal with cysticfibrosis?

DR. ARMSTRONG: Whether it is utopian or not, we would hope this would develop.

THE CHAIRMAN: We are seeing that the appeals for funds are beginning to experience difficulties, and one of the answers is the multiplicity, and some communities have tried to solve it by united appeals, and so forth, and now we are getting to the point where there are quite a few still outside the community appeal; the growth is unending in that respect.

MR. MACKLAIER: Mr. Chairman, speaking defensively -- although I don't think you have put us on the defensive ---

THE CHAIRMAN: No.

MR. MACKLAIER: It is interesting, if and when it materializes, I think their course in this respect is a very good example, because they got the organizations affiliated when they would only have the two appeals, one Easter Seals, which is now characteristic of the organizations affiliated with the Canadian Council, and the other the March of Dimes, which is affiliated with the Polio Foundation. I don't like this grass roots expression, but they are grass roots appeals, \$2.00, \$5.00, \$10.00; \$10.00 is big money on these appeals and nobody minds, it doesn't call for a huge campaign organization, it doesn't call for pace-setting gifts from the chartered banks.

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5 Commission from my province know, there is no place
6 where the situation of which you speak is worse than in
7 Montreal. We have just so many appeals that if you
8 wanted to take some place as your experimental place,
9 take Montreal, and we hope by next year there will be a
10 second United Appeal when all the health agencies will
11 have got together and will put on a unified appeal with
12 the Red Feather Appeal. I don't think your Commission
13 can do anything about that, but part of the situation
14 was that they said you have got to do something like
15 this. We are going to stop giving you these people.
16 Until "big business" took the attitude you would never
17 succeed in joining it. I think that is the position that
18 you have to take, that the banks say that you have got
19 to do something like that.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: We were discussing it
21 with an organization such as yours, because there is
22 no implication at all except in the general discussion.
23 It is germane in a measure to the inquiry, because if
24 we move forward in any form of national or Provincial
25 health service, this question of appeals by the health
26 agencies would become quite important.

27 DR. STRUTHERS: May I speak in reply to
28 your direct question, sir?

29 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

30 DR. STRUTHERS: I think this question
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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: There was also mention about health voluntary organizations, three members going out on a voluntary campaign. I don't know if any instances of that have come to your attention.

DR. STRUTHERS: I have only the information about that ad hoc committee of which I spoke.

DR. ARMSTRONG: I think we have more control of that type of thing than in the United States. There was a person who put an ad in the New York Times and they took in \$10,000.00; the people just gave without knowing what they were giving for. I doubt if that could happen in Canada, because we have sufficient public opinion to provide against that type of thing.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If you had an organization consisting of three members going out collecting funds, they may be raising funds which may not finally end up for the purpose for which they were collected, and there must be some sort of a problem arising out of this sort of arrangement, and my question is: Are there such instances in Canada, do you know about them?

DR. ARMSTRONG: No.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: It was suggested to us there are.

MR. MACKLAIER: In answer to Mr.



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5 like that is seeking to raise is important money, that
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7 a receipt for so he could use it for tax purposes. Surely
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9 be such that it can control that, because, after all,
10 in order to give a valid receipt you must be an accredited
11 charitable organization under the The Income Tax Act,
12 and that is pretty well defined in The Act, and I think
13 it is pretty well policed. The people who give nickels,
14 dimes and dollars, two dollars, you don't want a
15 receipt. In regard to putting the ad in the New York
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The other way is for perhaps this Commission to commend the attitude of big business and say "You are perfectly right in taking this attitude and stick to it", because you may be the main source for putting across this philosophy that these organizations must get together.

THE CHAIRMAN: To get to another subject, your second recommendation, would you mind explaining that?

DR. ARMSTRONG: In the present Disabled Persons Act the pension is given to a severely disabled person who is not employable. Now, he is allowed a certain minimum outside income and there are many instances where, through a homebound program these persons are able earn a certain amount of money and gradually increase this earning until eventually they might become self-supporting. Once they reach their outside income they hesitate to jeopardize the security of their pension.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is that a complete loss or a gradual build-up?

DR. ARMSTRONG: It differs in various provinces but usually even though it is a gradual loss there is a lag in catching up on the outside income so that the person may find themselves without any income at all for a month while this extra that has been earned has been recovered.

THE CHAIRMAN: You are going to put this on the same basis as the Old Age Pension?

DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes. If a severely



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and yet, you are not recommending, would you want

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Mr. Chairman: Is that a complete

loss on a national level?

Mr. Ainsworth: It is a loss in various
circumstances but really, even though it is a gradual
loss there is a loss in coming up on the outside
income so that the person may find themselves without
any income at all for a month this is a loss that
has been around has been around.

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THE CHAIRMAN: And if he finally gets to the point where he has an excess the income tax will take it away from him.

DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes.

DR. STRUTHERS: May I expand on recommendation number one?

THE CHAIRMAN: You are perfectly free to make any observations you wish on this matter.

DR. STRUTHERS: This has to do with the setting up of registries of crippled children and adults and it is important from two points of view. The first one would be that we have at present no accurate knowledge of the total problem of the disabled child in Canada as regards number or disability. From a service point of view this would be a valuable thing to know. The second thing, and to my mind more important, is from the point of view of research and medicine. We are being struck more and more with the frequency of disabilities stemming from congenital abnormalities of unknown origin and the people working in genetics are interested in such a registration so they can follow through family trees to see the progress of the disability in the various channels. This has been worked on very ardently under the Atomic Energy Company of Canada at Chalk River on the inherited or genetic difficulties. We do need a registry of crippled children



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5 would help us with the research problem and give us
6 a definition of the total problem in Canada.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: What would you say is
8 the appropriate department in respect to responsibility?
9 Have you something more specific?

10 DR. STRUTHERS: The appropriate
11 department of government under the health and welfare
12 division and a child registry should be set up under
13 provincial organization but the idea of having a
14 collecting group would be to collate the whole thing
15 for statistical study.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: We were discussing this
17 registry with the Ontario Association yesterday morning
18 and that was what they thought. They were not able
19 to give us the number for Ontario, even.

20 DR. STRUTHERS: An educated guess,
21 that is all.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: They were able to do
23 a little better on the Metropolitan Toronto area.

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25 will have to cover the province so they can have a
26 standard form of registry and nomenclature. At the
27 present time there are three types of nomenclature in
28 use, the international is being used in British Columbia
29 which is the W.H.O. one; in one other province they
30 are using a standard with is the United States
nomenclature set-up and in two other provinces various
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the second one is the one which they have worked
out with the idea they find in their nomenclature.



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4 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: What are the
5 number of variations in the definition of crippled
6 children?

7 DR. ARMSTRONG: This runs all the
8 way from a narrow orthopaedic definition which is the
9 classic one to cover mental health, retardation and it
10 is just as broad as you want to make it. The definition
11 that the Canadian Council use a very broad definition
12 except we modify it by saying where there is an
13 association to give care for a specific group that we
14 do not include that group in our definition. This is
15 in a sense a pragmatic thing.

16 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Is the Ontario
17 definition broader than the average? It was outlined
18 in their brief yesterday.

19 DR. ARMSTRONG: It would be broader
20 than most. The narrowest definition is in Nova Scotia
21 and New Brunswick and the broadest is in Saskatchewan
22 and Alberta.

23 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Even broader
24 than Ontario?

25 DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes, I think in
26 Saskatchewan crippled children is any child that can
27 benefit from the service we offer.

28 THE CHAIRMAN: It begs the question.

29 DR. ARMSTRONG: We say a crippled
30 child may be defined as a handicapped person who suffers
from any disability severe enough to interfere with
his getting an education or earning of a livelihood
which is pretty broad.



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4 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: But you do
5 not point out specifically?

6 DR. ARMSTRONG: The muscular skeleton,
7 no, because we feel we have the organization and also
8 the experience to help small specific interested groups
9 and we should be able to keep them in our definition
10 if they want to come.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Dr. Armstrong,
12 on this point of establishing registries of the crippled
13 children on a provincial basis, a national summary of
14 all the information available on a provincial basis,
15 have you in mind perhaps a little bit more than just
16 statistical collection?

17 DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes.

18 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Uniformity
19 of definition and methods of obtaining that information.
20 Do you have in mind to do a certain amount of analysis
21 and then perhaps develop some conclusions and recommenda-
22 tions?

23 DR. ARMSTRONG: That is right. The
24 British Columbia registry for crippled children has been
25 about the only effective registry that I have seen either
26 in Canada or the United States. This has been excellent.
27 I think their purposes are very sound. The first is
28 early discovery of cases; the second is that they refer
29 these cases then to the services which can be of
30 assistance to them. Now, this is done and it protects
the doctor-parent relationship, there is no violation
of that. The third is a follow-up. The fourth function
is as an analysis of need. Somebody in British Columbia



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11 of these figures.

12 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I take it
13 from your recommendation in paragraph 10, subparagraph
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15 federal department then to not only collect such
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We have discussed this with the people in the Federal Government and they feel that the spadework and the development should be within the scope of an agency such as ours working closely with them and when the project has been developed the actual operation of the natural fluoridation, of course, would be naturally a government function. I think that is an illustration of where you can get this partnership between government and the voluntary agency.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Do I take it from what you are saying, sir, that you will not be content with the Department of Health and Welfare or the Bureau of Statistics just using some tables, but you would feel once the tables are produced certain other work should follow?

DR. ARMSTRONG: That is right; the statistics in themselves won't do a thing unless they are related to the needed services.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you, sir. That is what you have in mind in this recommendation in paragraph 10, sub-paragraph 1?

DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you very much. Now, may I turn to your next recommendation in this main paragraph 10 and that is something that has already been referred to with regard to the Disabled Persons Act, 1953, which you have suggested should be amended. If your recommendation was adopted and perhaps I should address this question to Mr. Macklaier; if this

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4 principle, the principle being to support the needy,
5 support the people with certain handicaps, irrespective
6 of need. Now, where the recommendation as has been
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8 because of other expenses involved which you have
9 expanded. I am just wondering whether the Government
10 that would have to consider such a recommendation
11 wouldn't feel there is an important change of principle
12 beyond the legislation or beyond the statute as it
exists at the moment.

13 MR. MACKLAIER: Mr. Commissioner,
14 that might be so, but, of course, there would be ample
15 precedent as Dr. Armstrong mentioned in his statement,
16 it is the old-age pension formula. It is the principle
17 of that applied to a different field, isn't it? I
18 know I get into many arguments at home with my wife who
19 takes a very dim view of people such as our plutocrats
20 drawing old-age pensions. She says, "What utter nonsense
21 Mr. So-and-So gets it." I say he pays it back in income
22 tax and it is much simpler to do it in that way from
23 the Government's point of view than to impose a means
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24 In the case of the disabled person,
25 if he is fortunate enough to make something in a
26 sheltered workshop, nevertheless he starts out under a
27 tremendous handicap which he will probably never overcome,
28 therefore, this, in a sense, would be a very modest
29 bonus to him because of the fact that he is saddled
30 with this handicap and will never, probably, succeed in



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overcoming his handicap. The fact that he may be able to make a few dollars and that these dollars may become more than a few doesn't change the fact that he is still disabled and probably doing it under great stress and under great difficulty. I think that is a valid point.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I am just wondering if, as an alternative approach to it, the same objective you outlined to us, sir, could not be achieved by raising the level of the maximum allowable outside income that could be earned; the point which you discuss in paragraph 43, and the last sentence of that paragraph.

MR. MACKLAIER: Mr. Chairman, in the preliminary drafting of the brief, that was the recommendation we were thinking of submitting. In discussing it with the Canadian Paraplegic Association they persuaded us to change our mind to this particular recommendation because of the fact even though a severely disabled person is working he is faced with unusual expenses.

A girl who works in my office, who drives her own car to work - she is a paraplegic and has to work with hand gears and has to get help upstairs - she cannot take the streetcar. She has to have a car and that type of thing, which the pensioner has the right, would enable the severely handicapped person to compete without quarter with the able-bodied person on the job.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I may say, Dr.



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Armstrong, you make a very convincing case for it. These are your recommendations and we accept them in the spirit they have been put to us.

May I now turn to another point that has already been discussed, and that is your Recommendation 4 in main paragraph 10. I take it the objective behind this recommendation is that you wish to make sure that all this information is made public; it is not only the fact that the return is presented to the Secretary of State each year, but the information be made public so the public knows what is going on?

DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Do you have in mind these agencies in addition to submitting this information on the prescribed form may also make information public in a statement or report which they may turn out once a year?

DR. ARMSTRONG: We feel this would follow. The Canadian Council for Crippled Children, for instance, had to fill out a prescribed form to the Secretary of State. The Canadian Council then would have to get the affiliated organizations, selling Easter Seals, that information also would be on that prescribed form and once this had been completed the Canadian Council, by its policy or by its constitution, has this information available to anybody who would wish to see it so that the individual wouldn't have to go to the Secretary of State for it. He could come direct to the agency.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You see, you



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A. ANSWER: Yes.

Q. NOW, MR. WATKINS: Do you have ...
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3 speak of your own group, but your recommendation, if
4 I understand it correctly, applies to all national
5 health and welfare organizations.

6 DR. ARMSTRONG: Yes.

7 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And presumably
8 you would expect other organizations to behave as
9 rationally as you are planning to behave yourself?

10 DR. ARMSTRONG: We feel this responsibi-
11 lity is government's, to see we do behave rationally.

12 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: How would
13 the Government achieve that?

14 DR. ARMSTRONG: Part of the terms of
15 the Charter that we received from the Federal Government
16 states that we make a return once a year to the Secre-
17 tary of State with certain information under the
18 Companies Act and it wouldn't be too much of an innova-
19 tion to prepare a special form for the voluntary agencies
20 rather than adopting the form that the companies use
21 in making their returns.

22 MR. MACKLAIER: After all, Mr. Chairman,
23 if you are incorporated as a charitable, as a non-profit,
24 organization you cannot even change your by-laws without
25 prior sanction of the Department of the Secretary of
26 State, so if one starts from that one shouldn't mind,
27 it seems to me, being asked to file statistical informa-
28 tion of this character.

29 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Let us assume
30 that this recommendation were adopted and implemented.
It would still only provide Canada with information as
to the operations of national health and welfare



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3 organizations, and as you know, most of the organizations
4 in Canada in the voluntary field are provincially-
5 organized groups. I am just wondering whether you
6 would feel that this Commission might recommend the
7 Federal Government encourage or try to persuade or
8 induce or otherwise the provincial governments to
9 follow a somewhat similar approach as the Federal
10 Government itself might follow. This sort of approach
11 is customary under the arrangements under Companies
12 Act. The Federal Government may have federal companies
13 and we have provincial statutes in this field but they
14 are things that have taken many years and perhaps not
15 quite evolved, there being an attempt for increasing
uniformity.

16 Would you feel, once that is adopted
17 at the federal level, we should go further and encourage
18 similar development at the provincial level?

19 DR. ARMSTRONG: We feel if a volun-
20 tary agency is performing its functions adequately
21 that it should be prepared to answer to the public in
22 the form prescribed by the Government whether a provin-
23 cial organization or a national organization and we
24 feel this would prevent a lot of fly-by-night organiza-
25 tions unjustifiably going to the public for support.

26 MR. MACKLAIER: The practice I know
27 is mandatory in Montreal, must be prevalent elsewhere,
28 surely. As your Commission probably knows, in Montreal,
29 before you get a permit to put on your next financial
30 campaign you must have complied with the conditions of
the previous permit that you file a return as to what



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in Canada in the voluntary field are provincial.
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feel that this Commission might recommend the
Federal Government to consider the way to persuade or
induce or even force the provincial governments to
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Government itself, a bit further, this sort of approach
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some development at the provincial level.
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although you must have consulted with the authorities of
the city. I think that you have a permit as to what



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you received in the preceding campaign and the percentage of take to expenses and so on. That, in Montreal, I know is followed very rigidly and enforced strictly. There you are starting from the bottom up. It certainly works in Montreal.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are these permits issued under provincial statute?

MR. MACKLAIER: No, under municipal by-law, Mr. Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Is there no provincial legislation in existence in the Province of Quebec?

MR. MACKLAIER: I wouldn't like to be taken as giving anything but an off-the-cuff answer to that, which would be no, I don't think there is. The question asked is: is there any provincial Act, do you have to file in Quebec, do you have to file statistical returns on what was the fruit of your campaign and what did it cost you to raise the fruit and so on and so forth? I don't think there is but I know it is in Montreal and it works and it is very strictly enforced. I am sure Montreal is not unique in that respect.

DR. ARMSTRONG: In Alberta, there is some provincial legislation to that effect, but in Quebec we had a difficulty with one organization and we wanted to find out where the money was going and the only sort of control was this Montreal return.



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4 DR. ARMSTRONG: We feel that this
5 sanction would assist the responsible national organiza-
6 tions, and they could insist that their affiliates
7 file an adequate return with the national, in order
8 to complete a form like this.

9 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What is the
10 legislation in existence in Alberta?

11 DR. ARMSTRONG: It is a very rigid
12 legislation, which goes to the other extreme where an
13 organization is not allowed to appeal to the public
14 without the specific permission, I don't know of what
15 department, but of the government of the province. This
16 is an almost undemocratic approach, that the government
17 says you can appeal and you cannot appeal.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Macklaier, do
19 you think they can prohibit a dominion organization from
20 carrying on business?

21 MR. MACKLAIER: We always get back
22 to the constitutional question.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Bennett and his
24 Bonanza Creek business.

25 MR. MACKLAIER: It seems to me that
26 if the federal government starts a thing like this
27 from the top down, and the municipal governments start
28 from the bottom, they are going to meet, and it becomes
29 a packet.

30 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Mr. Macklaier,
31 knowing the difficulty that arises when you want to
32 merge voluntary organizations, what difficulties do you
33 anticipate, if any, in your proposed Canadian Council



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... large voluntary organizations, that is, how does a
... in your proposed organization, and



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for the Disabled?

MR. MACKLAIER: That almost sounds like a loaded question Miss Girard.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: No, it is just that I come from Montreal, and I know how difficult it is to merge voluntary agencies.

MR. MACKLAIER: Well, I think Dr. Armstrong had better carry the main burden on this one. It is a tricky business in the sense that you are merging two federal organizations, but which in turn conduct mainly their functions through a series of provincial organizations, so you must in turn get the concurrence of the various provincial components, each of which is to a large extent autonomous, so it is a selling job which each federal organization has got to do down the line with its provincial affiliations, and that is the job which has undoubtedly been going on for some time, and which we all hope will come to a happy and successful ending next month at the meeting of both federal organizations in Ottawa.

DR. ARMSTRONG: This is a process that has been extended over several years, but we know that the other national groups are interested, and are sure of their co-operation and support once we get this basic structure established, but it is a long haul with many complications.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: If government participates to a much larger extent in the field of health care, do you feel that your organization still has a voluntary place in the overall health picture?



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9 and objectives of the government, then good health care
10 can become far more real to the people, not as though it is
11 just passed on as it were through a government administrative
12 system.

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14 of view of government that is particularly federal
15 government. I think their inclination is towards being
16 able to deal with a federation like this, which can
17 in turn work down into the provincial organizations.
18 That I think has been Dr. Armstrong's experience ever
19 since the inception of his connection with the Canadian
20 Council. The bigger this is, the better the federal
21 government is pleased, because then you bring the
22 provincial organizations into contact with the federal
23 government, as it were on a platter, and the more all-
24 embracing that platter is, then the better we can deal
25 effectively with the organizations right through the
26 piece.

27 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Would it have
28 any effect on the collections for your Easter Seals?

29 DR. ARMSTRONG: I think you can only
30 take the experience of England, where after national
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7 the last few years in a very marked degree, but England
8 is trying to solve the same question that we are trying
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10 to be interested in a specific interest, and at the same
11 time have co-ordinated planning on a voluntary basis,
12 so that the government isn't dealing with 150 different
13 organizations, but there is one spokesman to reflect
14 the voluntary agencies' point of view?

15 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much
16 gentlemen. We are indebted to you for attending here
17 this morning, and for your brief, as well as this most
18 pleasant discussion. Thank you very much.

19 DR. ARMSTRONG: Thank you sir.

20 THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the
21 next submission, that of the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation
22 Council, will not be presented by Mr. McVittie, who
23 has advised me by letter this date that he cannot come
24 forward to our Toronto hearings, and in view of this
25 I suggest that the brief be entered as exhibit number
26 311, and that the summary of conclusions and recommenda-
27 tions contained at pages 2, 3 and 4 be part of the
28 record, and that the letter from Mr. McVittie be also
29 a part of the record.
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---EXHIBIT NO. 311:

Submission of the Nova
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SUBMISSION OF
THE NOVA SCOTIA REHABILITATION COUNCIL, INC.

Dear Major Lafrance:

You will recall our conversation during the public hearings on Monday, 7 May, when I informed you that representation for the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council before the Royal Commission on Thursday, 24 May, seemed unlikely.

I must inform you that there still seems to be no prospect for personal presentation of the Council's brief by any of our members. If this is the situation on Thursday, would you then arrange for the Council's brief to be "received" by the Royal Commission and to be placed in the records.

If, by chance, there is a request for copies from other sources, inquiries should be addressed to the Council's Secretary at 353 Bayers Road (Suite 15), Halifax.

The Council would be pleased to furnish information in supplement to the brief if the Royal Commission so desires.

Your co-operation is appreciated.

Yours truly,

(Signed) John I. McVittie
(Immediate Past President)
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(Signed) John I. Macfarlane
(Secretary, Nova Scotia Representation
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5 Canadian pattern of joint action by public and private
6 agencies, to the point where demonstration of need and
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8 assumption of responsibility by governments.

9 2. The provision of comprehensive
10 rehabilitation services requires co-operation and
11 integration for various medical, paramedical, and other
12 professional, semi-professional, and technical resources,
13 together with close and continuing liaison among
14 government agencies, voluntary associations, hospitals,
15 and other bodies.

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17 capital costs of rehabilitation centres should take
18 into account the special requirements for extensive
19 out-patient and teaching facilities, and also the
20 "regional constituency" areas served by these specialized
21 hospitals.

22 4. Present facilities in Nova Scotia for
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24 rehabilitants should be extended to include research,
25 design, manufacture, and fitting of artificial limbs
26 for non-veteran rehabilitants. Current policies on
27 grants should be continued, subject to study of payment
28 for prosthetic devices.

29 5. Financing the legitimate costs of
30 high-quality hospital services requires more realistic
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highly specialized hospital services requires more realistic
attention in policy formulation and in the distribution
of public and private insurance funds, in the view
of responsible hospital bodies.



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4 6. Further development of rehabilitation
5 services will require the training of additional
6 specialists in medical, paramedical, technical, and
7 ancillary occupations. Continuation and expansion of
8 programs for recruitment, training, and financial
9 assistance are essential.

10 7. A comprehensive program for rehabilita-
11 tion services requires establishment of assistance plans
12 for transportation of out-patients attending clinics,
13 rehabilitants taking approved courses, and consultants
14 attending out-of-town clinics and patients, and also
15 assistance towards capital and operating costs of low-
16 rent hostels.

17 8. Requirements for in-patient beds and
18 out-patient clinic facilities should be supplemented
19 by further development of field services to patients in
20 their own homes, a program involving assistance towards
21 transportation costs and acquisition of mobile
22 equipment.

23 9. Rehabilitation of employable individuals
24 is complete only when suitable employment has been
25 secured.

26 (1) Present assistance plans in training should
27 be continued and expanded.

28 (2) The proved value of sheltered workshops
29 for conditioning selected rehabilitants
30 merits assistance towards capital and
operating costs of these facilities.

(3) Special placement services for employable
rehabilitants require reorganization and
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(4) Public education on employment of rehabilitants requires extensive and continuing attention.

10. The cost-of-living for rehabilitants is often higher than for other citizens, indicating the desirability of eliminating the means-test on earned income in connection with rehabilitants' pensions and allowances.

11. The use of public buildings by rehabilitants and other tax-paying handicapped citizens should be facilitated by street-level or ramped entrances.

THE SECRETARY: The next submission will be that of the Canadian Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, to be known as exhibit number 312.

---EXHIBIT NO. 312: Submission of the Canadian Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

THE CHAIRMAN: We will have a short recess at this point.

---A short recess.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, if we may come to order ladies and gentlemen, we will proceed.



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SUBMISSION OF
CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICAL
MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION

APPEARANCES: Dr. G. A. Lawson
Dr. J.S. Crawford
Dr. J. Berkeley
Dr. A.T. Jousse
Dr. T.E. Hunt
Dr. W.O. Geisler

DR. LAWSON: Mr. Chairman, I am Dr. Lawson. I am President of the Canadian Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. Dr. J. S. Crawford, at the far end, Toronto; Dr. J. Berkeley, of Windsor; Dr. T.E.Hunt, of Saskatoon; Dr. A.T. Jousse of Toronto; and Dr. William Geisler of Toronto. Dr. Geisler is the Secretary of the Association.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Gingras was unable to come?

DR. LAWSON: No, we are sorry he was unable to.

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes Dr. Lawson?

DR. LAWSON: We are happy for the privilege of presenting our brief, and I would ask Dr. Hunt, who was the Chairman of the Committee who drew up this brief, to present the brief.

DR. HUNT: Mr. Chairman, I wondered how you would request that I present this to you. I had felt that rather than read over recommendations with which your Commission must feel rather tired by now, that I might comment on some of the points that we would like to stress, and then go through some of the main items with you, if that is agreeable sir?

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Dr. J. H. Harkness
Dr. J. L. Jones
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Dr. W. O. Gellish

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at the very end, Toronto, Dr. J. Harkness, of Windsor;

Dr. J. Harkness, of Saskatoon; Dr. A. L. Jones of Toronto;

and Dr. J. Harkness of Toronto, Dr. Gellish is

the Secretary of the Association.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Gellish was unable

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Dr. J. A. Hanson: No, we are sorry he was

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THE CHAIRMAN: Whichever way you wish to do it.

DR. HUNT: We are particularly concerned that those seeking to know the problems of health services realize and recognize the great problem which is created by a group of patients, who we might call the chronics or those suffering from long term illness, severe disabling injury, and from the effects of aging.

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We have outlined in our brief, in the succeeding pages from page 3, the various comments as to the services which have been developed. These, I am sure, you are quite aware of by now. Our only point is that we feel that any expansion, which is certainly needed, should be developed within present frameworks to provide services and hospital services, educational and welfare services.

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Considering the problem of the former first, the general practitioner, on whose shoulders the brunt of care of these people falls, unfortunately at the present time he hasn't available to him the facilities to look after these people, nor has he had in the past adequate training. Finally, and probably of least importance, with this group of patients he really doesn't obtain adequate financial remuneration for their care. An ordinary house call for acute tonsillitis can take perhaps fifteen, twenty minutes of the doctor's time, and he may not do any procedures when he visits the patient with a chronic illness or a disability requiring rehabilitation, but he may spend as much as half an hour or an hour with the patient's family sorting out accommodation in the hospital, and so on.

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5 to look after this type of person. We would recommend
6 that any type of educational benefits accruing from your
7 studies should take this into account. Compulsory rotation
8 through rehabilitation service is one of the things we
9 would suggest for medical students and internes. In the
10 United States the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
11 has provided grants so that problems in teaching in
12 chronic illnesses and rehabilitation can be further
13 studied and augmented. Perhaps this is possible through
14 Dominion-Provincial sponsorship in medicine.

15 THE CHAIRMAN: You know there is one
16 underway under Dr. MacFarlane, through distinguished
17 medical college deans, and so forth. This is the kind
18 of recommendation which would go directly to that group,
19 initially I mean.

20 DR. HUNT: Now, if we are to expand
21 services for the chronically ill, including rehabilitation
22 services, one of the things is that we need men who are
23 expert in rehabilitation techniques and in the practice
24 of medicine. We have been extremely concerned with
25 the lack of our numbers.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: 51 in Canada in 1961.

27 DR. HUNT: This is not the smallest
28 group of specialists but it is the smallest group which
29 have such large responsibility. We tried to find out
30 some of the reasons why there are so few of us and we
took the liberty of carrying out a study on our own,
which we have presented in Appendix B, and this is
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5 work. We tried to find out what type of work they were
6 mainly interested in, what they felt about the various
7 specialties and what they felt some of the bad points
8 were of specialties they didn't like, and we were not
9 surprised to find they didn't like our specialty.

10 We were a little surprised with some
11 of the answers they gave as to why they didn't like it.
12 As was expected, a large number was interested in
13 general practice, a very large number was interested and
14 wanted to specialize in internal medicine, and to a
15 lesser extent in surgery. If you look at Table III on
16 Page 42, this will give you some idea of the preference
17 scale. We took the total number of preferences -- I don't
18 know Dr. Firestone, whether this is good statistics
19 or not, to take it at one hundred percent, but we took
20 it at one hundred percent. You can see for physical
21 medicine and rehabilitation, 1.2. Hospital administration
22 was the lowest preference specialty below ours. Some
23 of the answers are seen in Tables IV and V; the factors
24 which they liked in a specialty are shown on Table IV.

25 The question which we asked the
26 students was a very open one on this latter point, and
27 although it was worded in terms of prestige, they could
28 answer on what their colleagues felt, their teacher
29 felt on it and the way the public viewed the specialty.
30 The greatest thing was that they didn't think the work
was important, it was routine and non-stimulating. They
also realized it was of low value in the public eye,
they really hadn't heard about this type of work.



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5 played a very little part.

6 Now, we compared the findings of the
7 study with other literature which was available. I
8 have noted some references on Page 41. Very much the
9 same results were found in the United States by the
10 workers whose references are quoted.

11 We then conducted a survey amongst
12 our own group who had been practising a specialty for
13 one or more years who are members of our Association.
14 Not all the 51 who were quoted in the Royal College
15 figures are members of the Association, but only 40 of
16 them were selected. This was largely because my list of
17 my colleagues was a year or two out of date. But it
18 gave us the fact that they had been practising for some
19 time in a specialty and 31 of them completed their replies.

20 Very, very few of our number have come
21 up through student days and junior internship days
22 expecting to be specialists in physical medicine. Rather,
23 there has been a change, sometimes after many years. I
24 have quoted in the summary the average number of years
25 of practice in our group is eighteen years. You can see
26 that we are a very experienced bunch of medical practition-
27 ers, and more than half of this time has been spent in
28 other types of practice.

29 The interesting reasons for our
30 group becoming interested in rehabilitation are listed
under the second part of Table VII on Page 46. In other
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been working, say, in internal medicine and his colleagues in the medical school or city had said: "How about developing rehabilitation services?" and he had become interested in taking the necessary training. The opportunity arose for many of our number when they were in the Armed Services in the Second World War, and it was by this example that most of our members became interested in our specialty.

We have also listed some information on how they are working; some are in private practice, some working either full-time or part-time with an institution.

THE CHAIRMAN: I suppose that is sort of inevitable in the specialty.

DR. HUNT: I think it is, sir, with a large number. We feel from the results of the studies that recruitment of specialists in physical medicine can be expected to occur in two ways. One is through the method I have suggested of better exposure to this type of work with students and internes, but perhaps even better exposure and direction of interest after they have started training in some other field. Just how this is to be accomplished we don't know yet.

THE CHAIRMAN: Or from the general practitioner himself?

DR. HUNT: Who may become interested. We have made a suggestion, sir, that one of the things that might come out of our presentation to you would be a study of some of these problems on a more organized basis than a small society was able to carry out.



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4 THE CHAIRMAN: I must say that this
5 survey that you gentlemen have made appears to be exceed-
6 ingly good and most useful and can be the starting point
7 of other surveys. We have, as you know, a medical manpower
8 and recruitment, and so forth, survey underway, and
9 while at the moment I can't spell out the details, this
10 question of the specialties is within the ambit of that
11 study.

12 DR. HUNT: I knew you had a survey
13 in mental health, but I didn't know about the other.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: We have several of them
15 going. Some of them don't get as much publicity, such
16 as the income one where we had to publish special letters.

17 DR. HUNT: One of the things we feel
18 very strongly, and I might conclude on this point, and
19 that is if we are going to entice men into the field,
20 not only must their work be made interesting for them
21 by providing more clinical work and less administrative
22 work and providing research facilities, as we have
23 mentioned, we do feel from our study of our own men who
24 seem to be satisfied --- and I didn't include this in,
25 but I can give it to you if you wish later--- that there
26 is a need for retaining some private practice responsi-
27 bility. Those who have this opportunity seem to be more
28 satisfied than those who are full-time institutional
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THE CHAIRMAN: On that point itself, just what are the opportunities for private practice having regard to the nature of the individuals, the problems of the individuals with whom the specialty must deal in great measure?

DR. BERKELEY: Well, Mr. Chairman, I hung my shingle up in Windsor, a fairly small town of 150,000, nine years ago and I hoped that I would get people referred to me. I also had the opportunity to be a part-time consultant and this was very fortunate.

THE CHAIRMAN: Part-time consultant with -?

DR. BERKELEY: With two institutions; one chronic disease hospital that wanted to begin a program of rehabilitation for the old-age group and one cerebral palsy and out-patient treatment centre. I am one of those who has worked in other aspects of medicine; I have had a very good type of life and it is my own feeling, at least, it has suited me, that this is one way to practise physical medicine. I get people referred to me from my colleagues, they come to my office for the mild cases.

I have therapists, I have put in equipment and the patients can come to my office and they can get mild treatment for mild conditions. Also, I have had the chance to help develop in my area, and this is not one of the big areas with large hospitals where you need a full-time man, and I am not in disagreement with this, but we have only got small hospitals, 300 beds, and one of them is less and they could not



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I have had a chance to work on the staff, I am a consultant, just like the chief of surgery, although I have a small section and I have helped develop these as a consultant.

I have also been the consultant at our out-patient centre. Publicly-funded patients can go there that cannot afford to pay. I would say I refer cases there who need the group program. The more difficult cases, the cases who come to my office privately, they do not overcrowd the out-patient centres that are already overcrowded, already short of staff. There are some people who like to go to some other place, perhaps they may not like me, my therapist may not get on with them or there is a little bit of competition.

I have put in a new piece of apparatus owing to the fact that the hospital has put in a new piece of apparatus and the hospital therapist and I are in competition for the mild cases.

In summary, I think one tends to think that what suits me would be good for everybody else but I know this is not the case. I do have a vested interest, not only in equipment but also in treatment and this is what I feel a happy way to practise.

I think young doctors who may be considering this might want to develop rehabilitative services if they could practise something like the way I am practising, I think they might like it.

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insurance program to pay for the costs and a lot of the people I see are poor and crippled, not all of them but some are and they need that type of program and they need a hospital program too, but if this is to be I would hope personally it would not be exclusively based on the hospitals or on the large areas. If that were to be the case my type of work would be squeezed out because who would come to me and pay for it if they can go to a hospital or a rehab. centre for a mild condition and get it treated free?

I would hope there would be approved centres in which they could get treatment.

THE CHAIRMAN: How do you deal with the matter of transportation? You say you are dealing with mild cases; you are necessarily dealing with ambulatory cases?

DR. BERKELEY: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: And do you say your private practice in the sense you have described it is limited to the segment of the people to whom your specialty appeals?

DR. BERKELEY: Yes, that would be the patients with painful neck problems such as after car accidents, shoulder, back, hand disabilities, crushing injuries, feet disabilities, painful hips; these are the ones who are able to get around and there are no other problems, no social problems because they can usually get back to work.

THE CHAIRMAN: You are in Windsor and we have heard quite a lot about Windsor which is perhaps



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other problems, no special problems because they can
usually get back to work.

THE CHAIRMAN: You are in Winston and
we have heard quite a lot about Winston which is certainly



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one of the most progressive areas in Canada so far as medical services. You have worked with the prepaid medical plans there which are more universal in Windsor than any other place in Canada.

DR. BERKELEY: It has worked very well for me in my experience.

THE CHAIRMAN: And this type of thing is covered by the Windsor Medical?

DR. BERKELEY: My own medical services are physiotherapy and the patients pay themselves.

THE CHAIRMAN: That is for the physiotherapy part?

DR. BERKELEY: Yes, the physiotherapy part.

THE CHAIRMAN: What is your view? Do you think you could separate one from the other in terms of treatment?

DR. BERKELEY: Well, when I went there first, and the Windsor Medical people talked to me and they wondered whether they should include physiotherapy and asked what I thought. Well, I thought then, and I still think, it is the same as a drug, at least, it is very similar today; if you insure drugs it is a cost prescribed by a doctor and dispensed by a pharmacist and physiotherapy is the same thing.

THE CHAIRMAN: Of course, you have the Green Shield Plan for drugs in Windsor?

DR. BERKELEY: Yes.

DR. HUNT: I think Dr. Berkeley has hit on a very important point that we need to get across



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in teaching programs and that is physical medicine is a prescription the same as a medical prescription. I would just like to interject that at this point.

Dr. Crawford is also doing institutional and private practice work so perhaps he could add a point here?

THE CHAIRMAN: You have a foot in both camps.

DR. CRAWFORD: I am in Toronto at the Western Hospital and the way that I work at the hospital is having my office across the street and also being Director of the Department of Rehabilitative Medicine at the hospital. I prefer to have it that my entire salary does not come from the hospital work but I have a chance to do private practice work as well.

I think there is a certain stimulus in this. I think my work can be more varied and I have a chance to look after patients of my own. As time has gone on I find that the referring practice was increasing more and more in this hospital than it ever had in physical medicine prior to this. They knew very little about it and at the present time the referring practice - doctors ask me to discuss problems with regard to diagnosis and how should they be handled and this has increased more and more. This is not only in hospital but outside the hospital.

Our institutional work in the hospital is increasing the same and we have had to take on more staff. This is a hospital of 750 beds. Of course it is becoming a difficult problem with me and I know it



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4 and your institutional work you ask what is the
5 hospital paying for; is it paying for me to see the
6 department is run the best way it should be run, that
7 the therapists are doing the best work in relation to
8 the type of disease, to assist them to see that they
9 understand this disease?

10 In other words, to make the work more
11 interesting for them. I think that probably is my main
12 responsibility as far as the hospital is concerned,
13 and that has increased and become more important. One
14 thing I do at our hospital which is perhaps not necessary
15 to do but I see every patient who is receiving physio-
16 therapy treatment, whether I am asked to or not. This
17 has been accepted and the doctors wish it that way.

18 I do not know that I can add anything
19 more. We have this department for opportunities for
20 rehabilitation and I look at it as a hospital service
21 branch.

22 We have also developed a home service
23 program where we can follow the patient when they leave
24 the hospital and go to the home to see them, sending
25 a physiotherapist with an equipped vehicle. We feel
26 the transfer from hospital to home is sometimes a
27 tremendous jolt for many of our patients who are
28 chronically ill; they have been in a lovely environment
29 where a nurse has been waiting on them and the meals
30 were all prepared and suddenly they find themselves
in a situation where they have to face the problem of
the home and the children and the wear-and-tear problems



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which everybody has at home.

We find we can correlate with other facilities in the community, go into the home and seeing that patient and carrying on the work in the hospital that the patient had before she left. It makes it a little easier and the follow-up program makes things easier for her to carry on.

THE CHAIRMAN: Now, we have two types; we have Windsor with 150,000, perhaps a little more, and the metropolitan Toronto area. Now, Dr. Hunt, you have a situation in Saskatoon, a smaller city again.

DR. HUNT: Not very much.

THE CHAIRMAN: I am just talking about the physical end of it.

DR. HUNT: One of our problems; we are very limited in private work. We do have some which do not fall into either of the categories mentioned, work for organizations for which we are allowed to charge and the money goes to our department.

The point I would like to make is to compare the work of a hospital department where the work is on sort of a budget plan compared to another department of the medical centre and the hospital in which fees for services are allowed which might follow on the amount of work done.

I think it is extremely important in a teaching centre because the department has earnings which can be increased by the amount of work done which is really the fee-for-service idea, and can do better, have monies available for research, for new



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17 way in advance.

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21 own available you could hire people and get the work
22 done. That is a comment I would like to make on this
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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Dr. Hunt, who pays for the patient's treatment in your department?

DR. HUNT: I suppose the Saskatchewan Hospital Service Plan as far as my services are concerned. If they come in as an in-patient the hospital plan pays for it. If they come in as out-patients they pay their own. This is sort of a ludicrous situation in our department where I might do a very complicated electro-diagnostic test on a patient's nerves and muscles using very complicated apparatus and knowledge which has been gained by a lot of study for nothing. Part of the treatment may include the use of the same type of apparatus but because the physiotherapist uses it, the patient pays for it. This doesn't lead to the inducement of people into the specialty.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Is there any province besides New Brunswick which pays for out-patient physiotherapy under the hospital plan?

DR. HUNT: This is in the Medical Insurance Act in Saskatchewan, but it hasn't been paid for yet.

COMMISSIONER VAN WART: There is no other province?

THE CHAIRMAN: It was announced but not implemented.

DR. HUNT: That is right. Dr. Jousse has a comment to make.

DR. JOUSSE: I would like to emphasize that despite the somewhat gloomy picture we have drawn with reference to rehabilitation and rehabilitation personnel,



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in actual fact the major portion of rehabilitation is and always has been carried out by individual physicians and surgeons who treat their patients and who never allow them to become dependent or allow their lives to be interrupted by illness or disability longer than is necessary.

Our teaching, and we have been teaching physical medicine and rehabilitation in Toronto for ten, twelve, fifteen years, and the lack of impact on successive generations of medical students may reflect poor quality of teaching, but I prefer, because I am involved to attribute it partly at least, to the fact that we haven't had one of the requirements that Dr. Hunt and the rest of us stipulated which is the opportunity to rotate house doctors through a department of physical medicine and rehabilitation, particularly a ward, where patients who require this type of treatment are assembled. This is because these wards, by and large, don't exist in general hospitals in Toronto. In other words, there are no beds in significant numbers set aside for care of patients who require this type of treatment of chronic disabling disorders over a long period of time. I feel somehow the concern of the doctor must be aroused for the care of the patient at this stage so that doctors will assume responsibility for the long-term care. We have failed in that area and I think we would fail to a less marked degree if we had these facilities.

I think closely allied to this, as has been mentioned, is the desirability of private practice. In a private practice one is charged with the



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responsibility of care for a patient directly. In institutional care very often the rehabilitation doctor does not assume full responsibility for the care of the patient. Perhaps inherent in the lack of impact of this aspect of medicine on medical students is this factor. I have been fortunate in being in the position I have many patients to care for.

I would like to point out that much of the teaching of rehabilitation medicine has been and is being done by physicians who are not directly involved, by surgeons, orthopaedic surgeons, neurosurgeons and others. There are many people requiring rehabilitation who do not require specific care, application of specific techniques of physical medicine, but they also require our care. Thank you very much.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: In your hospital you haven't got a separate department, Dr. Jousse, where you segregate your physically disabled for physiotherapy. In your hospital you say you have a department, Dr. Crawford.

DR. CRAWFORD: We have a separate department in our hospital. We have beds in the hospital but these beds are not specifically allocated or segregated as an area where patients may stay longer for rehabilitation procedures. Our problem in our hospital as in many other hospitals is I am being urged to get my patients out as soon as possible. In other words, I haven't long-term beds, but I have a separate department area.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Is it because



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nearly all hospitals are socalled acute hospitals?

DR. CRAWFORD: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And the type of patient that you get would be something like the individual with a coronary who has a frozen shoulder and in the interval of his cardiac treatment you look after this other complication.

DR. CRAWFORD: That is true.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: You are not getting cases referred as in-patients who are suffering from a specific handicap in terms of physical medicine.

DR. CRAWFORD: That is right. I suppose another problem is the patient with the stroke who is brought in and we are urged constantly, urged to get that patient as soon as possible while every doctor realizes the importance of getting that patient up and standing and walking, but please, please can't we get him moving somewhere so we can make the bed available for the coronary that is waiting to come in. We have to seek beds elsewhere, chronic disease or convalescent hospitals in the area. I am connected with the development of a convalescent hospital in Toronto that has just been finished called Hillcrest. I feel that type of bed should be as close as possible to our hospital. I think that is the only answer I can see at the present time for this problem that exists in acute hospitals.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: This sort of unit should be an adjunct to the acute hospital?

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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: As we call them the general hospitals.

DR. CRAWFORD: Not necessarily right in the teaching or the acute hospital, but at least side by side where we will visit frequently, where we will be able to have referral back to acute care, laboratory, tests, investigation if necessary, because I don't think we should segregate physical medicine as a specialty that does not require consultation and association with problems of acute care.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Isn't that sort of a haphazard thing so far as the department is concerned in relation to encouraging or interesting residents and internes to become people who will participate in the branch of physical medicine?

DR. CRAWFORD: Yes, I think that is true, sir.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: It is not a unit.

DR. CRAWFORD: No, it isn't a unit yet.

DR. JOUSSE: You asked me a question, sir, I operate in a unit for spinal cord, spinal cord injured patients and also in the Toronto General Hospital, and to a lesser extent Sunnybrooke. My reference to lack of beds was in the general hospital. In the Spinal Cord Unit we have beds for long-term care of patients without limiting really, as indicated by the needs of the patient.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Dr. Berkeley, in carrying on your private practice do you require much in



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the way of equipment as will help you in doing the work you do on ambulatory patients?

DR. BERKELEY: So far as my medical work goes, and I do house visits, I used to take my medical bag with me and that gradually got less and less. Now when I go to see a patient at home I have got a roll of adhesive in my car. That is all. That is all I need in my private practice work, except when I get involved in electrodiagnostic tests which Dr. Hunt mentioned and for them I use the services of one of our general hospitals where we have this expensive equipment.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: In therapy, do you require physiotherapy and hydrotherapy?

DR. BERKELEY: I have purchased over the years quite extensive apparatus for deep heating and hydrotherapy and electrotherapy and I have got an occupational therapy program, work activity, plus the area needed for it.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Which brings me to the next question: In relation to your private setup, Doctor, you require special personnel. Do you require many?

DR. BERKELEY: One and a half.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: One and a half, and that is one who is a physiotherapist?

DR. BERKELEY: One and a half registered physiotherapists and I also have a person who is occupational but is an aide, who is a non-qualified person and who helps with the work program.

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DR. HUNT: I don't know where we draw the borderline, sir. I have been extremely interested in the bringing together of the problems of chronic illness and geriatrics and rehabilitation in all general hospitals by special wings. This involves arthritis, a number of things. In Saskatoon where we feel each of the three hospitals in Saskatoon should have units of perhaps up to 50 beds and this would solve our problem of geriatrics as well as other acute rehabilitation problems. Now, our hospitals, other two hospitals are in the category you mentioned 200 to 300 beds. I think it is a little easier to talk about a 150-bed hospital, Dr. Baltzan, and here I think you don't need the whole setup we have mentioned.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: This is exactly what I would to see reduced....

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19 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Well, the
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21 consultations periodically, and keep the helpers or
22 other workers in that department fully instructed?

23 DR. HUNT: That is right.

24 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And patients can
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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Through that experience you can see an opportunity for decentralization, without reducing the actual quality of the modern approach to rehabilitation?

DR. HUNT: Oh, yes sir. We have many, many types of problems with which we deal, which the doctor without specialist training in physical medicine should be able to handle for his own community, and most strokes are examples of this.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Dr. Hunt, your specialty is physiatrist. How old is that? When was it recognized by the Royal College?

DR. HUNT: Dr. Jousse says the first certification in the specialty in Canada was in 1948. Dr. Storm was one of the first practitioners of this type in Canada, and he was working before the Second World War and Dr. Gardner, of course, was head of the department in the Toronto General Hospital since some time in the 30's.

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7 DR. HUNT: This is an interesting
8 question, because Dr. Cameron and I, since we made
9 our survey, have been going after some of the residents
10 in medicine, particularly in our own hospital, or
11 assistant residents, and although we have not been
12 successful this year, the interest has certainly been
13 stimulated, and I think if we can assure these young
14 men, particularly those with a broad background in
15 general medicine and surgery, to come into our specialty,
16 say, with three years training, to assure them of a
17 reasonable type of working condition, a reasonable
18 chance to do research, and a reasonable chance to lead
19 a satisfactory life, that we will get them just from
20 this little experience we have had since our survey
21 has been completed. The interest is there.

22 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: How much of the
23 medical curriculum is being given in the way of instruc-
24 tion to inform the young people that this is an up-and-
25 coming requirement for the good of the sick?

26 DR. HUNT: I don't know across Canada.
27 In our own school we don't push ourselves as much as
28 perhaps we might. We have a very good curriculum for
29 instruction for the student in rehabilitation as it
30 applies to the general practice of medicine, and we
31 feel that this at that time is our job, that all doctors
32 should have some grounding in it.



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DR. GIBSON: I think so.

question, because Dr. Cameron and I, since we made our survey, have seen doing after some of the residents in medicine, particularly in our own hospital, or assistant residents, and although we haven't been successful this year, the interest has certainly been stimulated, and I think it we can assure these young men, particularly those with a broad background in general medicine and surgery, to come into our specialty, with these views in mind, to assure them of a reasonable type of working condition, a reasonable chance to do research, and a reasonable chance to lead a satisfactory life, that we will get them just from this little experience we have had since our survey has been completed. The interest is there.

DR. GIBSON: I think so. The question of the medical curriculum is being given in the way of information to inform the young people that this is an unending requirement for the good of the sick.

DR. GIBSON: I don't know about Canada. In our own school we don't push ourselves as much as perhaps we might. We have a very good curriculum for instruction for the student in specialization as it applies to the general practice of medicine, and we feel that this at that time is our job, that all doctors should have some grounding in it.



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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Yours is relatively new. The reason I asked that question is because we have heard others speak in terms of increasing the amount of time, the student's time, to devote himself to become knowledgeable in psychiatric problems.

Now, I see that you also want to increase the student's time to become knowledgeable in this ever-increasing field.

DR. HUNT: It is very hard to say -- I think most of us here are teachers, sir -- just how much time is optimum. We had over 100 hours at our school and we cut it down because we felt they were not getting enough general medicine.

On the other hand, I think a great deal of our teaching can be done in other people's time, if you get what I mean. The problems of the amputee should be stressed, not only by us, but by the surgeon who does the operation.

The problem of the paraplegic bladder should be stressed by the urologist.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Just one final question; and that is, what are the special disciplines required of the man who enters upon the study of and the devotion to the practice of physical medicine? Must he have more time, say, in physics, electricity? What are the special disciplines?

DR. HUNT: That is very hard to say. I think the primary thing is he must be a good doctor.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Exactly, because



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DR. LAWSON: I have had 15 years general practice, and I look on physical medicine as the general practice of the specialists. I have to talk to the specialists and know about their routines, but you have to spend more time with your patients. I feel that every doctor is a good rehabilitationist. He is good at getting people back to work, but there are difficult cases that you need to spend more time with. The early talking to a patient, like having time again, Dr. Hunt stressed the fact you cannot do it in 20 minutes. You may have to spend an hour or an hour-and-a-half with the patient and the family.

So you have to be interested in long-term cases. It is based on a good diagnosis. You have to treat the right thing and treat it properly. So that your discipline is, well, you have to keep up as a physician. You have to keep up your general practice as a surgeon. You talk to orthopaedic people, to urologists, and it is a challenging and very wide field, and you cannot know everything as good as the other fellows, but you get a wide fund of knowledge and you get a basic line, and then you want to spread out and try and get these long-term people back and I feel it is important that a fellow that has some private



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The great thing is to start the fellow right off that he is going to get better. The average doctor does that and it is the difficult cases that we have to give him advice on.

DR. JOUSSE: There is one significant responsibility imposed on the shoulders of physiatrists, and that is the ability to evaluate the patient with a disability in terms of what the disability means to him, to his family, to his working future and then to plan with him the program which will minimize, or help to circumvent, the disability.

I think if there is one skill, one stock-in-trade, it is that aspect of evaluation.

DR. HUNT: I think there is another important thing, and that is that the average doctor, as he practises either general or specialty work, practises largely on his own. He works by his own head and his own hands. He gives a prescription, which the patient takes to a drugstore, or he slates an operation, and takes out stitches.

The physician who does physical medicine and rehabilitation must know of an extreme number of resources available for his patients. He must know, in Saskatchewan, for example, how to get an artificial limb made through the Red Cross, by the D.V.A., to be paid for by the local municipality. All sorts of



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I think most of the others would agree with me that we do spend a lot of time working on other services than our own for our patients.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am only driving towards one point ---

THE CHAIRMAN: This discussion is most interesting, but it seems to be beyond the scope of our inquiry.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: You mentioned here that you need one physiatrist for 50,000 patients, or people, and you have a great shortage and a great difficulty in getting people prepared for that. I want to see in what extent a specialist can extend himself over a wide population. That is what I am driving at.

DR. HUNT: Well, as you see in our submission, we vary between one in 50,000 and one in 100,000. It is very difficult to estimate just how many are necessary. Dr. Gingras has made a very good survey of the Montreal district and this figure of one in 50,000 is his.

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DR. BERKELEY: In the matter of discipline, I think there are two aspects. If you want the physiatrist to be an organizer, he is an organizer and he can organize for his area. For instance, I try to organize; I have appointments at four general hospitals, one chronic disease, the Ontario Hospital School for Remedial Speech, and the local rehabilitation centre.

I also think there is a clinical aspect, and in the discipline there, if I were to pick up one thing it would be mechanical problems in the soft tissues.



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DR. HUNT: Well, there are two things which are very important. One is the traumatic problems. Our highways are bringing more people to us for treatment, but they are also creating more patients, industrial accidents and so forth, which, in the past, would have been fatal.

Take the paraplegic patient. Before the Second World War, if a person was involved in a car accident and the spine was fractured and the spinal cord cut, that person's life expectancy was a month. Now, with the rehabilitation care, care of his bladder, it means that he can live almost as long as an uninjured person.

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DR. HUNT: I think it is both. People are living longer and we are getting an increased incidence of these illnesses.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In other words, your problem, if I understand you correctly, is a growing one in all age groups; it is not only the aging groups but the younger groups as well, and therefore it is an accumulating problem you are facing?

DR. HUNT: Yes. And Dr. Jousse points out that there are a lot of children who are born with deformities which would have been fatal years ago and with modern treatment we are keeping them alive, and they have to be given some type of service, too.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In other words, the advances in medicine are increasing the problems that we are facing?

DR. HUNT: Yes.

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Is this medical leadership which you describe confined to the period of training and education, or is this a continuing process? What kind of medical leadership would you expect from the profession in your specialist group after their training period?

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Is there anything that the Federal Government can do to encourage new leadership in this field, or should it be left entirely to the profession?

DR. HUNT: We have mentioned in the brief the fact that the Americans have used their Office of Vocational Rehabilitation in providing increased grants to medical schools to push this along. So often that is a very difficult field to persuade university authorities.

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DR. HUNT: Yes, it would assist.

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I take it from what you say you have in mind a somewhat broader and more integrated program?

DR. CRAWFORD: I would like to say that I have a good integrated program in my own hospital, but I don't because I don't have enough of all the extra services. I cannot complete a program in my own hospital, I cannot get all the extra services.

DR. HUNT: These are the gaps which we mention.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And you feel that programs should be planned and created and improve such facilities; is that what you had in mind?

DR. HUNT: Yes, sir.



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Dr. David Okun

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DR. OKUN: You are entirely welcome.

THE CHAIRMAN: If you would like to make your presentation. Will you introduce those who are with you?

DR. OKUN: I am Charles Okun and I have done considerable post graduate work subsequent to graduation here with hospitals, universities aside from years of general practice. On my right I have my dear wife Jeannette who has been working very closely with me and who has been a very large source of inspiration in my work.

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4 Will we ever know, how much damage
5 has been, or is now caused by radiation? Only recently
6 has the subject been brought out in the open and
7 publicly discussed.

8 There is a great deal of evidence that
9 X-Rays have caused serious injuries, and is inflicting
10 and leaving its mark on our present and future
11 generations.

12 Mechanical devices are available to-day
13 which do control a major portion of these HAZARDS,
14 without lessening, in fact, improving this miraculous
15 diagnostic aid.

16 Such a NEW DEVICE is described by
17 the author, who was personally seriously injured by
18 X-Rays. This device has just recently been made
19 available. It controls 90% and more of the emanation of
20 X-Rays at the Dental X-Ray machine itself, and has been
21 in use in his own practice successfully for some time.

22 I might mention this is a conservative
23 figure,

24 Recommendations are made that:

- 25 (1) Compulsory registration and inspection be
26 brought about for every X-Ray installation.
27 (2) More emphasis must be placed on PREVENTION,
28 for the protection of ALL. OPERATOR,
29 PATIENT and SURROUNDING PERSONNEL.
30 (3) This 'NEW DEVICE', well tested and
recommended by the authorities, must become
part of every Dental installation.



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4 4. The public are becoming increasingly
5 aware of the true dangers of Radiation. Minimizing the
6 HAZARDS is not the solution. The only rational approach
7 is the utilization of all practical precautionary means.
8 This will remove the existing public resistance to
9 X-Rays.

10 As an estimate, there are in Canada
11 approximately 20 million x-rays taken annually of which
12 15 million are dental x-rays.

13 5. Radiation effects are generally
14 not immediately seen, the latent period has been known
15 to be as high as twenty-five years. Radiation is
16 accumulative and its effects are irreversible.
17 Deplorable is the fact that more deformities and
18 sterility is evident today, especially to present and
19 former X-Ray technicians, a large number of young
20 females are to-day employed as X-Ray technicians.

21 6. In this day of atomic fission,
22 nuclear blasts, greater use of isotopes, use of atomic
23 energy for peaceful means, increased use of radiation
24 for diagnostic and therapeutic purposes, more attention
25 must be placed on keeping the HAZARDS down to a minimum.
26 Let me make myself clear. I am fully aware of the
27 advantages of X-Rays. I heartily recommend their use
28 as a valuable and miraculous diagnostic and therapeutic
29 aid. I am not recommending less Radiation used, perhaps
30 more, but only when all practical precautions are taken.

7. Unfortunately, I along with
hundreds of others, have suffered from Radiation injury,
to the point where I have had considerable plastic
surgery performed, and was unable to practice my



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5 dear wife, without whose inspiration and her close
6 work with me, would not have made it possible, have for
7 years dedicated ourselves to the education of the
8 professions to the HAZARDS, and to the compliance of
9 taking the practical precautions, that are to-day
available, so that others shall not suffer as I.

10 8. I have for several years, written
11 and had published articles, and on invitation and
12 repeated requests, had and still have, the honour and
13 privilege of giving clinics on this vital subject, to
14 professional groups, in Canada, United States and
Mexico.

15 9. I have worked closely with the
16 Canadian Dental Association, American Dental Association,
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18 Health Authorities, Princess Margaret Hospital, Royal
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excellent concurrence.

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21 letter I received from the Hon. Mr. Monteith, our
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20 but this brief is a public one.

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19 THE CHAIRMAN: Well, I have made a
20 suggestion but you do as you like. I am just telling
21 you you do not have to convince us that today is
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I respectfully submit the following recommendations:

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(b) All new dental X-Ray machines are to have the "X-RAY SAFE" as a component part thereof.

(c) As passed by resolution at the 25th Annual Convention of the Canadian Association of Radiologists, Compulsory Registration and Inspection should be established of every X-Ray installation. Financed by nominal registration fee and assistance from the Federal and Provincial Governments. Many States in the United States have for years had legislation and inspection on this matter. I fail to understand why Canada has not moved faster. A great deal of furor, and rightly so, has been raised about fallout. It has been estimated that there is about twenty times the natural fallout generated in professional diagnostic offices. Up to 90% of this can be controlled without loss of diagnostic value.

THE CHAIRMAN: Go right ahead. We want you to devote your time to the recommendations and so



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 done in Canada. To right this wrong, it
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forth. We accept your basic premise.

DR. OKUN: I submit that to expedite this it would certainly cost all the people of Canada less, perhaps only ten cents per person, and would protect all the people, by having as an alternative plan, for the people through the Government to supply this device for all existing Dental installations. Consider the lower medical and hospitalization costs which would result. Compare this to the millions now spent on treatment and research. Yet the number of cases of cancer treated is not decreasing, but increasing. Is not the removal of causes or PREVENTION more important?

There are certain statements here which are references. I will go on.

We have for years put forth a great deal of personal effort and personal heavy expenditures, to bring this vital problem out in the open, unfortunately there is only so much one can personally do. This is a matter for the good of all the people, and should be handled by a department of the Government, with it's machinery.

Although I have had more experience in the Dental field, I am interested in protection against radiation in all fields, Medical, Chiropractic, Industrial, et.

In view of the fact that;

(a) Health under the British North America Act is a provincial matter,

(b) In most provinces there are already departments set up for this purpose, with trained personnel, physicists, etc.,



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(d) Various groups are using Radiation,
I feel that any action should be at the Provincial level with the cooperation of the Federal Government.

At every clinic I have given, at least a dozen individuals have drawn my attention to their X-Ray injuries, including loss of limb, growing blindness, etc. We must remember that this is only a mirror as to what is taking place inside the body.

Scientific tests have been made, and reported in the literature, on several occasions, that the face dose received from the use of dental machines, using the plastic cone alone, which permits a fan of X-Rays, as it is not a protective device, only a pointer, for each dental film is 5 Roentgen units average, or 5000 Milli-Roentgen units. For a full mouth X-Ray diagnosis, of say 16 dental films, the face dose on the average is 80 Roentgen units, or 80,000 Milli-Roentgen units. One must also remember that any registrations reported, must of necessity be only point or very small area registrations, and do not, give the total amount of radiation generated, nor the amount of the entire body or tissue irradiated.

When one weighs the above against the Maximum Permissible Doses recommended by the authorities, namely 100 Milli-Roentgen units per week for the operator, and one tenth of this amount for the public, one will understand why I am deeply concerned. That is why I am recommending the use of the "X-Ray Safe", which controls



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recommending the use of the "X-Ray Gate", which controls



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90% and more of the emanation, right at the machine, and confines the rays.

I trust that I have submitted enough evidence, to convince this Honourable Commission, that there is NO SAFE THRESHOLD KNOWN. Radiation can cause, has caused, is causing today, and will continue to cause and inflict injuries on our people unless immediate steps are taken to use the practical precautions available, and keep the HAZARDS down to a minimum, BEFORE more of our population present and future are deformed and maimed. The use of the "X-RAY SAFE" in the opinion of leaders in the X-Ray field is the safest approach to this problem. At once without any further delay.

Of course, any action taken is best processed with the cooperation and supervision of the professions involved, and the use of the existing machinery.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Dr. Okun. I wouldn't want you to get any idea that we are not happy to hear from you. We are. Just by way of illustration we had an irresponsible person here yesterday afternoon interrupting the proceedings with the objection that individuals were not welcome. Your attendance here this morning is the answer to that kind of nonsense. Your being here with a matter that is as important as the question of radiation makes us say thanks to you for having taken the time as an individual in the preparation of this submission and for your attendance here.

DR. OKUN: I was wondering, with your permission Mrs. Okun would like to make a few remarks..



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this morning is the answer to that kind of comment.
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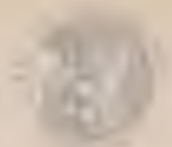
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MRS. OKUN: Mr. Chairman and Members of the Royal Commission, I would like the privilege of adding a request of the Royal Commission Members, that could result in many benefits to Humanity, which face our populations today, and which Dr. Okun and I have been concerned these many years.

Working with Dr. Okun during his presentations of Essay and Table Clinics, here in Toronto, in Chicago at the Chicago Dental Convention, I found it unbelievable that the Professions were unaware of the hazards they were working with in their X-Ray procedure. The X-Ray technicians became greatly concerned, particularly the nurses and young women trained as assistants, that very little prevention was provided for users of X-Ray machines. To help eliminate much of this danger, Dr. Okun presented the professions recommendations and became determined to provide safety at the machine itself. Himself a radiation sufferer twice.

We might well note the X-Ray crisis since William Konrad Roentgen invented X-Ray in 1895. And the year later when Thomas A Edison invented the Fluoroscope and then the wonders by the late famed Dr. Emil Grubbe who had parts of his body amputated piecemeal for X-Ray use. He himself was harmed.

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And X-Ray has definitely been established as causing untold harm.

When we must note that in the United States there are some 2,500 Institutions using Radioisotopes and 900 Clinics and Hospitals, we must assess from this figure what we are dealing with.

Particularly in Schools, Institutions and Hospitals where our youth is in training, our first duty to them is to protect them from radiation harm. Where children undergo routine X-Ray examination, and in schools where children pass through as guests, as I have seen in some schools, it should be our desire and duty, to protect them from future harmful radiation effects.

Dr. Okun has perfected such a device. There is today little need to expose patient or operator to more than is necessary in the taking of an X-Ray film.

It has been established that X-Rays travel and no one even at a distance is safe, therefore, we must strive for Safety through Prevention, and enlighten the young as to the dangers and use of X-Ray.

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has been invented, and made by Dr. Okun, and tested on a life-like Phantom, with the cooperation of the Princess Margaret Hospital.

It has been our pleasure to be able to serve Humanity, cost in time and money were forgotten in the hope to be able to present this to the Professions concerned and the cooperation of the professions in his chosen scientific endeavour has enabled him succeed with a safety hitherto unknown.

Too numerous to mention are the cases where lay people as well as professions disclosed harm to us such as a letter we received from a 35 year old dentist in New York whose Oculist informed him he was losing his eyesight as a result of X-Ray.

Neither Welfare Aid or Hospital Care can compensate the person stricken with disease that radiation caused, that preventive measures could have avoided.

If we are to heed the publicized scientific statement of Dr. Herbert Muller, Nobel Prize Winner, "That the present population of the U.S. will pass on 16,000,000 new mutations to the next generation, of 100,000,000 children.

We will have forfeited one of the greatest advances in Medical Science and to keep it is up to the few in whose hands lay the destiny of our nation, namely our children, by the people who minister to the upkeep of our Schools, our Hospitals and Institutions to provide to our teachers and users. Today we have the safety measures at our command.

COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Mr. Chairman, I am sure Dr. and Mrs. Okun have laid the facts plainly



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before us so that no questions will be necessary. I would only like to ask if your device is applicable to all X-ray machines as well as dental machines?

DR. OKUN: Well, frankly, I have not gone too much in that. There is no question about it, in medicine as you know they generally take in a larger area and as a result they have to put the head quite a piece away from the patient, but the idea of coning has been established even in medicine. I would like to see more coning and a columination used in all branches of science and industry. There is a field for all.

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I feel there is no question in my mind there is a lot that we can learn about it, but just to give you an idea, here is a report that was in the Canadian National Health and Welfare published in April reporting the United States Scientific Committee on the Effects of Radiation. Even the smallest amount of radiation is liable to cause generic deleterious effects.

So, perhaps to answer that in our present knowledge in any device they have to check the amount of radiation is certainly a help. A great deal of interest has been aroused by the work of the federal department, and I feel that we are responsible for creating quite a lot of interest. The boys are taking more precautions than they did but I feel there is a great deal of room for improvement, and one of the reasons that I am appearing before the Commission is that I feel that is a slow, long, costly process to leave it as is and I would like to see, for the benefit of the general public as well as the operator and his assistants, people in adjoining rooms, if we could do something to expedite this whole matter.

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DR. OKUN: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much again, Dr. Okun.

DR. OKUN: Thank you, gentlemen, and Miss Girard, and I hope that we have done some good to expedite this whole matter, and my main point at issue in coming here is to try, not only in this field, but to try, if it needs some pressing, that more emphasis should be placed on prevention, rather than waiting till the disease is caused and costs the people and the Government so much more and so much suffering.

Why there is an apathy of society to preventive measures I don't know. Perhaps sociologists may be able to explain it, but a great deal of thought, I feel, should be done on that phase, and anything we can do to educate those in control, as well as the public, to take precautionary measures, I think is very constructive.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, we are grateful to you for the approach to the problem, not as one of carping criticism and so forth and etcetera, and blaming everybody, but coming forward with a proposal to remedy the situation.

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THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the next submission is the Canadian Conference on Physiotherapy, to be known as exhibit 314, and Dr. Botterell will speak to the brief and introduce his delegation.

---EXHIBIT NO. 314: Submission of the Canadian Conference on Physiotherapy.

SUBMISSION OF
THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE ON PHYSIOTHERAPY

APPEARANCES:

Dr. E.H. Botterell
Miss Ruth Bradshaw
Miss Mary Martin
Mr. Edward Dunlop
Dr. A.T. Jousse

DR. BOTTERELL: I am E. H. Botterell, Chairman of the Continuing Committee of the Canadian Conference on Physiotherapy. The personnel of this Committee is listed in Appendix B. I am accompanied by Miss Ruth Bradshaw, Lecturer in Physical Therapy in the School of Physical and Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, Miss Mary Martin, National Consultant on Physical Therapy of the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society, and Mr. Edward Dunlop, Executive Director of the Canadian and Rheumatism Society, and Dr. A. T. Jousse, Medical Director of Lyndhurst Lodge.

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APPENDIX 3

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(I) That the facilities for training physiotherapists in Canada be more than doubled by an increase from 6 to 15 in the number of schools of physiotherapy in Canada, at the rate of one new school each year from 1963 to 1971 (see paragraph 44) and at estimated annual rates of expenditure of \$1,095,500 in the period 1963 to 1970 rising to \$1,888,480 in the period 1971 to 1980 (see paragraphs 48 to 53).

(II) That multi-stage education for physiotherapists be introduced, whereby the therapist receives diplomate training and after an appropriate period in practice, may return for further training leading to a degree (see paragraphs 33 to 38).

"The Committee makes additional but subsidiary recommendations with respect to more efficient use of personnel, improved prescription direction and supervision of physiotherapy, use of auxiliary personnel and the inclusion of physiotherapy among extended health benefits (see paragraphs 10 to 14)."

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(2) That multi-stage education for physiotherapists be introduced, whereby the therapist receives diploma level training and after an appropriate period in practice, may return for further training leading to a degree (see paragraphs 48 to 50).

The Committee makes additional but subsidiary recommendations with respect to more efficient use of personnel, improved prescription discipline and supervision of physiotherapy, use of auxiliary personnel and the inclusion of physiotherapy among extended health benefits (see paragraphs 51 to 54).

There are a number of recommendations which are discussed, as well as our subsidiary recommendations, as they occur under the various terms of reference. A final report to the Committee on the provision of "Physiotherapy Services and Facilities for the Provision of



Personal Health Services", we have nothing to add. This subject has been dealt with briefly in our submission and at length in the submission made by the Canadian Physiotherapy Association.

Under Term of Reference B "Methods for Improving Existing Health Services" (page 5 of our submission) we advise that the primary methods are the provision of sufficient numbers of well trained personnel, and adequate physical facilities. We deal with these primary requirements in later sections of our submission.

In the remainder of this section of our submission we discuss our subsidiary recommendations.

1. More efficient use of trained personnel

Professional physiotherapists should be relieved of clerical and housekeeping duties, a matter for attention by hospital administrators.

2. Improved prescription and direction

by doctors of physiotherapy - Physiatrists should be placed in charge of large departments. Senior undergraduate and graduate medical students should be provided greater opportunities to observe the contribution which physiotherapy can make to the treatment of patients. This is a problem largely to be tackled by authorities of medical education.

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5 of aides and assistants to make the same quantitative
6 contribution which this scheme has made in nursing. On
7 the other hand, we believe that some treatments and
8 treatment procedures in physiotherapy can be carried
9 out by supervised assistants under proper control, and we
10 recommend that the Canadian Physiotherapy Association
11 should consider production of a guide to in-service
12 training of such auxiliaries.

13 4. Physiotherapy as an insured benefit -
14 As a matter of principle, we believe that physiotherapy
15 should be included among the extended health benefits
16 in any approved health care insurance scheme. We
17 recognize that for many years to come, there will be
18 difficulty in providing physiotherapy to all those who
19 need it in all circumstances.

20 Term of Reference C is concerned
21 with the correlation of new or improved programs with
22 existing services. Physiotherapy is fundamentally
23 ancillary to the practice of medicine and to the
24 operation of hospitals and rehabilitation centres.
25 We believe, therefore, that any rational system for the
26 correlation of medical practice, hospitals and
27 rehabilitation centres will automatically provide for
28 the national correlation of physiotherapy services.

29 Our most important findings, Mr.
30 Chairman, are these set forth in Term of Reference D
"Future Requirements for Personnel to Provide Health
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4 paragraphs 17 and 18. From the survey of hospitals, 50
5 beds or larger, it was learned that the responding
6 institutions employ 930 physiotherapists, and that there
7 are now 542 vacancies.

8 The situation which we are likely to
9 face in 1970 is described in paragraphs 19 to 21. By
10 that year it is estimated that a minimum of 2,774
11 physiotherapists will be required. If the existing
12 schools of physiotherapy graduate students at the rate
13 which they forecast, and allowance is made for the
14 natural attrition rate, and for imports, there will be
15 2,335 practising physiotherapists in 1970, that is to
16 say, 439 less than are required.

17 This estimate of the demand by 1960
18 is conservative, making little or no allowances for
19 new developments. Such factors described in paragraph 24
20 indicate an estimated demand for 3,000 - 3,500
21 physiotherapist in 1970 which we judge would not be
22 unrealistic. This means a deficiency of from 665 to
23 1165 physiotherapists.

24 In the United Kingdom there is 1
25 physiotherapist per 6,000 of population, a proportion
26 judged to be insufficient by the authorities in that
27 country. In Canada, there is 1 physiotherapist per
28 15,000 of population. Implementation of recommendations
29 contained in this submission would produce a ratio of
30 1 physiotherapist per 8,300 of the Canadian population
by 1970, and would achieve a ratio of 1 physiotherapist
per 5,600 of the population by 1980.

The urgency of the situation may be



Paragraphs 17 and 18. From the survey of hospitals, it
was concluded that the population
of the country was 1,000,000, and that there
were 100 hospitals.

The situation which we are likely to
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time are increased, and a further 100,000 are added,
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"physiotherapy profession is to survive
"the fracturing pressures resulting
"from a continuing inability to meet
"personnel requirements."

Our main recommendations, Mr. Chairman,
come under Term of Reference B-"Methods of Providing
adequate personnel with the best possible training and
qualifications for such services. (page 9)

In paragraphs 29 to 43 we have
considered several factors affecting the attainment of
this objective. These factors are:

1. Recruitment.
2. Cost and length of training.
3. The development of personnel with higher qualifications.
4. The required number of location of schools of physiotherapy.
5. The academic affiliation of schools.
6. Appropriate arrangements for clinical teaching.

Following careful consideration of
all these factors our main recommendations were prepared.
I should now like to quote paragraph 44, subsections (i)
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4. of psychiatry.
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"The following recommendations are made:

(i) That there should be 15 schools of physiotherapy in Canada by 1971.

(a) Six schools now exist: University of British Columbia (Vancouver) University of Alberta (Edmonton), University of Manitoba (Winnipeg) University of Toronto (Toronto), University of Montreal (Montreal) and McGill University (Montreal).

(b) The seven universities with medical schools and without schools of physiotherapy should be encouraged to consider urgently the creation of such schools - University of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon), University of Western Ontario (London), Queen's University (Kingston), University of Ottawa (Ottawa,) University of Sherbrooke (Sherbrooke), Laval University (Quebec) and Dalhousie University (Halifax).

(c) Two additional universities not presently possessing faculties of medicine, should be encouraged to consider urgently the creation of schools of physiotherapy leading only to a diploma (see paragraph 36 (i) and 42). These should be located having regard to the facilities available and the density of population. The following universities might be considered: McMaster University (Hamilton), University of New Brunswick (Fredericton) and University of Alberta (Calgary Campus).



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(c) The additional universities now

proposed possessing faculties of medicine,

should be encouraged to consider urgently the

creation of schools of physiotherapy leading

only to a diploma or certificate (d) and

e. These should be located in areas where

there is a shortage of available and the demand

is high. The following universities

are suggested: University of New Brunswick

(Fredericton), University of New Brunswick

(Saint John), University of New Brunswick

(Miramichi), University of New Brunswick

(Moncton), University of New Brunswick



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(11) That education for the physiotherapy profession be divided into two levels, one leading to a diploma, the other leading to a degree for diplomates after at least three years experience in the practice of their profession.

(111) That a system of bursaries be made available to encourage selected diplomates to take training leading to a degree.

(iv) That relationships between the hospital (and other institutional) physiotherapy departments training students and internes be placed on the same footing as are relations between faculties of medicine and the clinical departments of their affiliated teaching hospitals."

The results of implementing recommendation (i) (15 schools by 1971) in terms of the numbers of practising physiotherapists available from now until 1980 is shown in Estimate C - Table 11 of Appendix A.



(ii) That provision for the psychotherapy

profession be divided into two levels, one leading

to a diploma, the other leading to a degree for

diplomates who at least three years experience

in the practice of their profession.

(iii) That a system of insurance be made available

to encourage selected diplomates to take training

leading to a degree.

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training students and inmates be placed on the

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The results of implementing

recommendation (i) (a) schools by 1971 in terms of the

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Exhibit A.



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Turning now to Term of Reference F "Present physical facilities and future requirements for the provision of health services", our estimate here, unlike our estimate in other parts of the brief, is little more than an educated guess, for we made no special survey of physical facilities. We have not, however, found any informed persons who have had any quarrel with our estimate that existing facilities approximate 25% of the total predicted need in 1970.

Under Term of Reference G "Estimated Cost of Health Services now being rendered to Canadians with projected Costs of any New Programs Suggested" (paragraphs 46 and 47), we have not found it difficult to estimate the costs of services attributable to personnel. In 1962, these are about \$4,800,000 per annum. In terms of 1962 dollars and salaries, these costs would rise to about \$10,592,000 per annum by 1970. We have no way of estimating the other costs attributable to plant, maintenance and carrying charges.

Our major recommendations concerning the training of physiotherapists and the basis for the estimation of the costs of implementing these recommendations will be found in paragraphs 48 to 51. These estimated costs are summarized in paragraph 52:

Para. 52 "Summary of Training Cost Estimates"

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THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Dr. Botterell.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If we may turn to paragraph 12 on page 5, you deal, in this paragraph, with the more efficient use of personnel and you make the point that particularly in small hospitals physiotherapists are required to devote a good deal of their time to non-professional tasks.

My question to you is this: is it that there is not enough work for them to do as physiotherapists or are there financial considerations which make the non-professional use of physiotherapists necessary?

DR. BOTTERELL: I think one of our physiotherapy colleagues might answer.

MISS BRADSHAW: I think in the smaller hospital the time taken up by clerical duties and so on other than actually treating patients is a fairly large percentage of the time. It is not the lack of patients to be treated and we feel if we could be helped in this area it would be more efficient use of the physiotherapists.

DR. BOTTERELL: I think the answer is, there are lots of patients.

MISS BRADSHAW: Oh yes, the physiotherapist's time is taken up in part in doing clerical duties and other duties in running a department.



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DR. WARDLAW: Of course, the physiotherapist's
 time is taken up in part in doing clerical
 duties and other routine work as a consequence.



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DR. BOTTERELL: I am not a hospital administrator but I think they at all times feel that their budget is thin and if they can combine the professional and the housekeeping component that it is an economy.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Well now, is it? This is exactly the point we would like you to explain.

DR. BOTTERELL: We have gone on record that it is not, very firmly.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I might understand it a little, the reason as to why a physio-therapist's time is used to do clerical work or house-keeping work; why?

DR. JOUSSE: There are certain requirements that have developed over the last few years and one of them is that the hospital commission wish to have an account of the number of units of treatment rendered and someone must fill in these documents and submit them.

Now, traditionally, when one has set up a department, one has obtained the service of physio-therapists and said, in effect, "You run the department" and they have taken on these duties willingly and have fulfilled them. These duties have been acceptable.

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One might easily conceive of a trained aide who could do that adequately and save the therapist's time.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You are making a convincing case but what I would like to know is why has that sort of division of labour not developed in fact?

DR. JOUSSE: I would say it was probably poor administration in the department and their failure to call the attention of the administration to the importance of this aspect of wastage.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Does the responsibility or the inadequacy lie with the therapist that runs his department or with the administration of the hospital?

DR. JOUSSE: With both, and with the doctor in between.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What do you suggest to overcome these inadequacies on the part of the administration, the doctor and the therapists? You just make a general recommendation and I am trying to understand how can one come to grips and deal with the problem.

DR. JOUSSE: One might obtain personnel, non-physiotherapeutic personnel, secretaries or a secretary and perhaps one who might train as an aide comparable to a nursing aide in educational background.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are you suggesting the development of therapists' aides; is



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DR. JOUSSE: That is suggested in here.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: You are suggesting the training of aides and you do say that in physiotherapy, unlike nursing, there is not enough practical work, maybe not quite enough practical work for an aide. Did you not say something to that effect, that the aide in physiotherapy cannot be as completely useful as in nursing because there are not as many functions which she can perform? I agree with that.

Well, if this aide cannot perform as many functions in physiotherapy, could she not be this double person; I am talking now as an assistant administrator and thinking of the time, as any administrator, and about the budget? Could not this auxiliary person take on some of the clerical duties as well as some of the duties of the physiotherapist?

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DR. BOTTERELL: Dr. Jousse could speak to that. In our committee we discussed this at great length and such activities are already going on.

DR. JOUSSE: In many hospitals, it depends on the size of the hospital, size of the department, the ratio of assistants to fully-trained therapists would never be as high as a similar group are with reference to the nursing staff. One person could fill the role, yes.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Have you gone as far as thinking what that ratio should be in physiotherapy as we have defined it in nursing, for instance?

MISS MARTIN: This is presently under study with the Canadian Physiotherapy Association. We have only discussed this informally and amongst ourselves and thought perhaps that the ratio would be about one aide to three qualified physiotherapists.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: That was doing only physiotherapy functions.

MISS MARTIN: And housekeeping duties.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Housekeeping and clerical?

DR. BOTTERELL: That didn't include clerical?

MISS MARTIN: No, we were talking about housekeeping and assistance with treatment.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Would it be, and this is just a suggestion, would it not be better if she did clerical and physiotherapy work instead of housekeeping, because it is always easier in a hospital to get



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people to do the housekeeping than to get clerical work.
That is our experience.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Does this type
of person require a formal type of training or does she
become suited by an apprenticeship method?

DR. JOUSSE: She would require purely
training within the department. Considerable attention
would be given to training in the details of the needs
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DR. BOTTERELL: We visualize, sir,
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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Thank you.
That answers my question.

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4 the physiotherapists and the auxiliary personnel?

5 DR. BOTTERELL: We have taken that
6 fully into consideration.

7 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: It is based on
8 the assumption there will be an improvement and a coopera-
9 tive effort and if such an improvement were not to take
10 place, this estimate would be on the low side?

11 DR. BOTTERELL: That is right, the
12 conservative estimate would be on the low side.

13 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And the 3,000
14 to 3,500 would still be a realistic estimate even though
15 there might not have been the progress and cooperation
16 between the physiotherapists and the auxiliaries?

17 DR. BOTTERELL: Most realistic, and I
18 should point out, Mr. Chairman, we haven't deducted from
19 the total the diplomates who might go back for graduate
20 training. This would further reduce the number of physio-
21 therapists in practice.

22 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: This then,
23 sir, is a realistic estimate, the target you feel Canada
24 should meet to provide adequate service.

25 DR. BOTTERELL: The answer to that,
26 sir, is unequivocally yes. I think I speak for the group.
27 Mr. Dunlop, would you like to comment on that?

28 MR. DUNLOP: Even if this target is
29 achieved, sir, it will be until 1980 before we reach the
30 ratio of therapists to population such as has been
achieved in the United Kingdom and even there the ratio
has proved to be inadequate.



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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: That is a very helpful comment. Thank you very much.

THE CHAIRMAN: You have these objectives. Where are the bodies going to come from?

DR. BOTTERELL: Well, sir, what we refer to in this brief about new schools is a vital part of this concept, because Dr. Jousse who is the Director of the school in Toronto and other directors have written in and will tell you and Dr. Jousse can expand this, that most of the girls who enter schools of physiotherapy come from the surrounding neighbourhood. They don't travel far, because of the expense that is involved, the expense of living away from home and so on; that is one of the reasons for starting a number of schools of not too great a size in appropriate areas of population. The average life expectancy of practising physiotherapy is three years.

THE CHAIRMAN: You mean life?

MISS BRADSHAW: Practising life.

DR. BOTTERELL: They are engaged in a different life, creating life. An unknown factor we have made an assumption about is the continuing import of physiotherapists from the United Kingdom, but Mr. Dunlop can tell you about the vacancies in their establishments.

MR. DUNLOP: About 1,000 vacancies in the United Kingdom. This worries us as to the continuation of immigration as a source of physiotherapists in the future.

THE CHAIRMAN: Now, Dr. Jousse, are there



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more applicants than places in the present schools?

DR. JOUSSE: Mr. Chairman, in the last two years the applicants have reached the saturation point in Toronto. Last year when the study was initiated I surveyed various schools across the country and I think I recall this from memory, but I believe many of the schools were not fully saturated with students. However, schools have noted an increase in registration in the last year or so. These figures are based on the total number of students which can be accommodated by these various schools now presently in existence if every position were filled.

DR. BOTTERELL: Could Dr. Jousse say if he knows if they are filled up during the last year, 1961-1962?

DR. JOUSSE: No, they are not, not in Toronto either. We have a very small year of about fifty. We are able to enrol over one hundred in the first year. The graduate year is around fifty, but I think that is, I hope, the last of the small years.

DR. BOTTERELL: That was the pattern in medicine, the low point in the registration in the United States and Canada where there were vacancies on many faculties of medicine. I am not sure of the year I think it is the graduating class.

THE CHAIRMAN: 1956, 1957.

DR. BOTTERELL: It has gone to physiotherapy.

THE CHAIRMAN: Your view is if the school is made more local there would be far more applicants.



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COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: I take it, Dr. Botterell, starting the 1st of July you will get Queen's University to have a school?

DR. BOTTERELL: That depends, Mr. Chairman, upon the recommendations being successful and the large subsidization Queen's will get.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Just one question, Dr. Botterell, on Page 3 -- 11, your recommendation is for improving physiotherapy services. Part 2 reads, improved prescription direction and supervision of physiotherapy and I think you inserted improving prescription by ---?

DR. BOTTERELL: Doctors.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: That is what I was missing.

DR. BOTTERELL: It is in this submission, but not in that one, sir.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Mr. Chairman, I hate to accept this high mortality rate of physiotherapists after three years. That is what we call it in nursing. the mortality rate, but surely you must do something to bring back married women into physiotherapy as we have done in nursing.

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COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Do they come back in large numbers or is there a few?

MISS MARTIN: Well, relatively few. It is interesting, I think, we compared these statistics with those of a study of the nursing profession, the name of which I am sorry I cannot recall, and it was quite evident that the nursing profession also had about 25% continuing after four or five years.

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DR. BOTTERELL: Can you recall the figures?

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THE CHAIRMAN: It is a misconception.

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19 if they had not been encouraged to go home in order
20 to free the bed, and that facility is available and is
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5 have a car.

6 MISS MARTIN: Some private physio-
7 therapists have their own offices.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: The one that I was
9 referring to has his own building.

10 MISS MARTIN: And I certainly believe
11 that there are a great deal of untapped opportunity for
12 the private practice of physiotherapy, as in many other
13 fields such as industry, and in home care services,
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23 "hospitals, rehabilitation centres,
24 "and chronic disease hospitals."

25 Would you expand on that?

26 DR. BOTTERELL: Some years ago at a
27 meeting sponsored by the government of Canada in Toronto
28 there was a large discussion on rehabilitation generally,
29 and at that time it became clear that what was needed
30 was to teach physiotherapists, and all the other para-
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and was a member of the committee on rehabilitation generally,
and at that time it was clear that what was needed
was to have physical education, and all the other parts
of the program, mental and physical education and
occupational therapy, and everything else, that part
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3 because we don't rehabilitate patients, they do it
4 themselves, and it became clear to us who were involved
5 in training doctors that these young men really didn't
6 get a very firm grasp of what the rehabilitation team,
7 and particularly the physiotherapists we are discussing
8 now, could do for patients, so that the highest priority
9 for the creation of first-class departments of physio-
10 therapy and all the other members of the rehabilitation
11 team, should be in the institutions which are teaching
12 not only physiotherapists, but other paramedical personnel,
13 and under-graduate and graduate medical students,
14 post-graduate medical training for doctors if you like,
15 and their residency training programs.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: In the under-graduate
17 training programs, I don't know if you were in this
18 morning. That was being discussed this morning and
19 particularly stress was being laid on the rotation the
20 under-graduate should have.

21 DR. BOTTERELL: This particularly
22 concerns medical interns and residents, because they
23 are working with the attending staff in what aspires
24 to be exemplary treatment of patients, and if these
25 young men and women can participate in the total treatment
26 of the patient, not just the acute treatment, but in
27 his beginning rehabilitation, they will then go out
28 into the practice of medicine, and they will prescribe
29 and supervise physiotherapy in a way that they would
30 never be able to do following any other type of training.

31 This, if you want to call it, is
32 perhaps the education that a health centre or a team where



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5 patient under exemplary and ideal circumstances, and
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7 occupational therapists and the rest working as a team
8 in this teaching institution, the results will radiate
9 out like the spokes of a wheel, into the non-teaching
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10 That is why we gave this high priority
11 to institutions, general hospitals, rehabilitation
12 centres, chronically ill hospitals, which are affiliated
with faculties of medicine.

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16 recommendations will go directly to Dr. MacFarlane's
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19 DR. BOTTERELL: I think you will get
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21 THE CHAIRMAN: We believe that. I
22 know they are receptive. They are looking for ideas
23 in connection with medical education in all its branches
24 from any place it may be forthcoming.

25 Thank you very much Dr. Botterell.
26 Perhaps before you leave I might say that we just had
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THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the next submission is that of the Board of Directors of Physiotherapy, and will be known as exhibit 315, and Mrs. Macpherson will come forward and introduce her group and read her conclusions and recommendations.

---EXHIBIT NO. 315: Submission of the Board of Directors of Physiotherapy.

SUBMISSION OF

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PHYSIOTHERAPY OF ONTARIO

APPEARANCES: Mrs. K.M. Macpherson
Miss M. Harland
Miss C.E. Cunningham.

MRS. MACPHERSON: Mr. Chairman, I would like to introduce my colleagues. On my left is Miss Harland, of the School of Physiotherapy of the University of Toronto, and Miss Cunningham, Chief Physiotherapist of the Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital in Burlington.

Mr. Chairman, and Members of the Commission:

1. This submission is respectfully made to the Royal Commission on Health Services in Canada by the Board of Directors of Physiotherapy for the Province of Ontario. This Board is the body authorized by the Drugless Practitioners Act of Ontario to make regulations governing the registration of all those

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2. We propose to discuss the following points:

1. Numbers and distribution of physiotherapists in Ontario;
2. Training schools in Ontario;
3. Cost of Training;
4. Bursaries and Scholarships;
5. Salaries;
6. Ontario Hospital and other Insurance plans;
7. The Drugless Practitioners Act of Ontario;

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5. 2. Training Schools

The majority of physiotherapists trained at the University of Toronto work in and around the City of Toronto. If schools of physiotherapy were established at the Universities of Western Ontario, Queen's and Ottawa, they would provide a much needed source of personnel in and around these centres.

6. 3. Cost of Training

The cost of establishing a school of physiotherapy under the Faculty of Medicine of a university varies with circumstances but can be less than \$50,000.00, with salaries for the first year estimated at an additional \$25,000.00. Cost per student to the university is \$1,600.00 net or less. Annual cost of training to the student is \$2,000.00 (including living costs).

I am afraid, Mr. Chairman, this may sound repetitious after what you have heard. This is from our point of view.

7. 4. Bursaries and Scholarships

To enable more students to train as physiotherapists more bursaries and scholarships must be offered by government departments, organizations and communities needing their services. The training of teachers must also be assisted.

8. 5. Salaries

Higher salaries will attract more physiotherapists, particularly for hospitals, and may also attract more men, who cannot often support families on the present salaries. Married women might be attracted



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back into the profession if income tax concessions could be made.

9. 6. Insurance Plans

Ontario Hospital and other Insurance Plans would better serve the public if physiotherapy treatment could be included in them, when given either in the Out-patient department or outside the hospital by a Registered Physiotherapist.

10. 7. Drugless Practitioners' Act

The physiotherapy profession is the only one of the five categories governed by the Drugless Practitioners' Act of Ontario whose members work solely under medical direction. If the profession operated under a separate Act of the Legislature, it would be better able to protect the public from treatment given by unqualified workers.

This is respectfully submitted, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Now, Mrs. Macpherson, about this matter of unqualified workers, to start right at the bottom, are you plagued with such?

MRS. MACPHERSON: We are not plagued, sir, but it is our responsibility to ---

THE CHAIRMAN: Is it a concern at all?

MRS. MACPHERSON: Yes, it is certainly a concern of ours, because we are required, as a Board ---

THE CHAIRMAN: I mean as a practical matter. Are there people holding themselves out as physiotherapists who are not?

MRS. MACPHERSON: Yes. It does not happen too many times, but we certainly encounter it



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several times in the course of a year. We have elaborated a little bit more on this particular point on page 9, particularly the necessity for supervision by the medical profession in ordering treatment and prescribing therapy.

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The out-patient department may be much easier to visualize.

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THE CHAIRMAN: What about outside the hospital?

MRS. MACPHERSON: I believe it has been suggested at the request of a hospital that this treatment might be procured for a patient leaving hospital. That might be one step.

THE CHAIRMAN: By whom would this service be rendered?

MRS. MACPHERSON: It would be rendered by a registered physiotherapist outside the hospital team.

THE CHAIRMAN: Somebody practising in private practice?



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MRS. MACPHERSON: Either in private practice or in the physiotherapy clinic as such, that sort of set-up.

THE CHAIRMAN: The clinic would be private practice?

MRS. MACPHERSON: Yes, usually. I am thinking partly in terms of the Arthritis Society and some of the services which are gradually coming into being where patients are treated in the home, not necessarily on a private basis.

THE CHAIRMAN: But in that case does the patient pay, pay the cost of the treatment?

MRS. MACPHERSON: This, I think, I should refer to the members of the Arthritis Society, who are in the audience still, I believe. I am not too familiar as to their particular form.

THE CHAIRMAN: If this is outside the scope of your submission, we will deal with it otherwise.

In the out-patient department, of course, it will be by somebody on the staff of the hospital?

MRS. MACPHERSON: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: And that would go right into the hospital budget and be absorbed that way?

MRS. MACPHERSON: That is right. There might be a comparable situation, sir, in that the Workmen's Compensation Board does allow for physiotherapy treatment in the home given by registered physiotherapists and this might be a comparable situation with a similar arrangement under the hospital insurance



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THE CHAIRMAN: Or could it be established under P.S.I.?

MRS. MACPHERSON: I would think so. In fact, I believe there are some insurance companies which include physiotherapy treatment given outside a hospital.

THE CHAIRMAN: The commercial insurers? MRS. MACPHERSON: Yes.

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THE CHAIRMAN: You make that blanket proposition, or do you only want to relate it to physiotherapists?

MRS. MACPHERSON: I don't think it is practical to do it only for one profession. There are a number of professions which need married women coming back into them. It was made as a suggestion that might possibly help a number of professions in this regard.



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MISS HARLAND: If a married woman goes out of the home back to her profession she invariably needs a little more help in the home and has to pay for that help, and then she doesn't get enough from the \$250 to really warrant going back into her profession again; it is not worth her while in dollars and cents, certainly.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I may follow up the point that the Chairman raised, Mrs. Macpherson, in connection with your recommendation 6 on page 2, are there adequate facilities in Ontario hospitals to give physiotherapy treatment in out-patient departments?

MRS. MACPHERSON: Perhaps Miss Cunningham could answer that.

MISS CUNNINGHAM: It does create a strain on the department. I am the supervisor in the department in a 250-bed hospital. If we do 90 patients, possibly 40 of them would be out-patients. I don't know whether you gentlemen are familiar with the fact that a hospital does not get to keep the money made in the physiotherapy department under the O.H.S.C.

If my physiotherapy department allowance is \$10,000 this year, this is deducted from the grant to the hospital next year.

THE CHAIRMAN: It is revenue to the hospital?

MISS CUNNINGHAM: From an administrative standpoint the administration is not too concerned whether we are worried about out-patients or not. We



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We do our level best to provide a service in the community to take out-patients, but the average physiotherapy department is so under-staffed and the facilities so taxed that it is difficult to maintain much of an out-patient service.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Wouldn't it be in the interests of economy to have adequate facilities, both in out-patient departments, to perform these functions? Presumably it might be possible to release some patients earlier to release some beds and say, "Come back tomorrow or the day after and get treatment in our out-patient department."

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MISS CUNNINGHAM: Yes.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Or, if not, it would relieve pressure on the beds.

MISS CUNNINGHAM: You are quite right, sir. But it is not an economy for the patient if he has to pay for it. If it is a post-op case, say, if it is a post-op disc, the patient cannot trot out to the bus stop to come in. This is provided by a number of friends, relatives and neighbours, etc. We have an auxiliary where a patient cannot get transportation; this is provided for them.

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MISS CUNNINGHAM: That is right.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: But it raises the practical question of how long to stay in the hospital because they feel they are covered, than pay out of their own pocket.

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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: So the implication of this would be that this service should be included, this out-patient service, should be included as part of the coverage under the hospital insurance plan?

MISS CUNNINGHAM: Yes, I think that is a very sensible suggestion.

MISS HARLAND: There is also the possibility that the patient, once he has left the hospital, if he has to pay for his own out-patient treatment perhaps he would not be able to get it because he can't afford it.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: What would be the position if he was an indigent person?

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be the position of the poor and indigent persons?

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3 and the hospital writes off the rest. This is not
4 provided in too many cases. But the average patient,
5 if he is not a long-term rehabilitation - I am speaking
6 of an active treatment centre, not a rehabilitation
7 centre - he is not going to be coming in very long as
8 an out-patient, possibly less than a month, and if
9 need be he can probably spend that money himself.

10 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you.

11 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Mr. Chairman,
12 I am wondering if the registered physiotherapists
13 in private practice do so only under medical prescrip-
14 tion?

15 MISS CUNNINGHAM: Yes, sir, they are
16 supposed to.

17 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: And in para-
18 graph 33, what have you done to bring about a separate
19 Act of provincial legislation regarding physiotherapists?

20 MRS. MACPHERSON: We have, so far,
21 discussed this with our lawyers and with the legal
22 department under the Department of Health. It hasn't
23 got beyond that stage, beyond the fact that we have a
24 basis for comparison in the Acts under which most of
25 the other provinces operate their physiotherapists.
26 But further than this we have not gone.

27 THE CHAIRMAN: Maybe we misunderstood
28 one question, the import of it, but did you say there
29 must be a referral by a doctor to a physiotherapist
30 in private practice?

MISS CUNNINGHAM: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Where do we find that?



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MRS. MACPHERSON: It is in our regulations. I believe you have them. I am afraid I am not too familiar with the legal terminology and it takes quite a long time to sort out. But that is the implication on the first page where it deals with prescription.

COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: But there is a distinction there between physiotherapists registered prior to the 31st day of January, 1955; they may act without a doctor.

MRS. MACPHERSON: Yes.



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4 THE CHAIRMAN: Now, you heard the
5 discussion that preceeded yours, do you have any obser-
6 vations, any remarks you want to make arising out of the
7 questions and discussion that took place? You now get
8 your chance to rebut or refute.

9 MRS. MACPHERSON: I do not think we
10 would rebut anything that went on previously because
11 we support it wholeheartedly in all its aspects with
12 particular reference to Ontario. I might just add that
13 in going over the students from last year's graduating
14 class that, as we mentioned in our brief, 62% of the
15 pupils remain in Toronto. We feel the only way to get
16 a source of supply of interested students coming
17 into the profession is by establishing schools in other
18 centres of the province.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.

20 THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the
21 next submission is that of the Ontario Society of Physio-
22 therapy and the brief will be known as Exhibit 316.

23 ---EXHIBIT NO. 316: Submission of the Ontario
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25 S U B M I S S I O N O F
26 THE ONTARIO SOCIETY OF PHYSIOTHERAPY

27 APPEARANCES:

28 MR. R. F. CLARK,
29 MISS J.M. FAGAN.

30 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, Mr. Clark?



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MR. CLARK: I would like to introduce our President, Miss Jean Fagan from Hamilton.

1. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF THE ONTARIO SOCIETY OF
PHYSIO-THERAPY

The Society issued Provincial Charter March 1926.
Constitution and By-Laws attached as Appendix "A".

2. THE CURRENT ROLE OF THE SOCIETY

2A Private Practitioners serving in the field

2B Serving in Institutions (Hospitals, W.C.B.,
Industry).

3. PROJECTIONS FOR THE FUTURE:

3A Consideration of Physiotherapy in any Health
Plan.

3B Amend and unify Municipal By-Laws re private
practice.

3C Co-ordinate Provincial Boards (Reciprocity)
Standardize licencing requirements nationally.

3D Provide regular Post-Graduate seminars.

3E Develop more facilities to train male
Therapists.

3F Encourage private practice in smaller centres.

3G Tax exemption on equipment to private
practitioners (Same as Hospitals)

4. AUTHORITIES AND REFERENCES:

4A Canadian Conference on Physiotherapy 1 May
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4B Ontario Hospital Services Comm. Annual Report
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4C Journal of American Hospital Assoc: 1960

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THE CHAIRMAN: Now, Mr. Clark, this tax exemption on equipment and a number of other items here that refer to private practice, I take it you are in private practice?

MR. CLARK: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Just what is the extent of private practice in Ontario?

MR. CLARK: We have some 56 members of which the bulk are in private practice in centres throughout the Province. In connection with the tax exemption, we as private practitioners have to pay a sales tax which is relieved from the hospitals in the purchase of equipment. We ask, to encourage more private practitioners, that some relief be given to allow us to purchase the most modern equipment available to give adequate treatment. These are based very closely to the hospital and as such we have the same circumstance in cost of operation and this works a hardship.

THE CHAIRMAN: This one phase, how would you encourage private practice in the smaller centres? The Toronto area appears to be taken care of.

MR. CLARK: Yes. Well, in our brief we have suggested that aid be given, financial assistance, through the medium of small interest loans and increased prescription and direction from the practising physicians in the area. There are two methods of encouragement.

THE CHAIRMAN: What do you mean by the second part, making the doctors aware where you are and what you are doing?

MR. CLARK: It is a question of awareness



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MR. CLARK: No, we do have practitioners
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MISS FAGAN: Would you like me to



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mention wage scales? As far as hospital work is concerned the average hospital employee, a physiotherapist is paid in the neighbourhood of approximately --- well, in Hamilton I am quoting here St. Joseph's Hospital, the salary there would run around \$365.00 a month. You can figure that out for yourself.

THE CHAIRMAN: \$4,200.00 and some odd dollars.

MISS FAGAN: It is not enough for a married man. I do not know how a girl, in fact, could get along with that with the amount of education necessary to equip herself as a physiotherapist, how she could actually be interested in going into institutional work.

THE CHAIRMAN: How does this compare with the nurses' salary in the same institution, a registered nurse?

MISS FAGAN: Practically the same. No, I should correct myself, because actually the present level from my understanding is that the physiotherapist is paid a beginning salary of something like \$62.00 a week, which is about the same level as a nurses' aide -- now, that is a nurses' aide, not a nurse.

THE CHAIRMAN: I am talking about the registered nurse.

MISS FAGAN: Well, in Hamilton our nurses have achieved something like \$18.00 per day for day duty, that is for the eight hours of day duty.

THE CHAIRMAN: As hospital employees?

MISS FAGAN: Private, they are working in hospital as a private nurse.



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THE CHAIRMAN: I am speaking about employing a registered nurse, one who is employed as a ward nurse.

MISS FAGAN: You mean a general duty nurse?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes?

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14 area is a very necessary entity in the practice of
15 physiotherapy to relieve the burden of people travelling
16 to downtown areas.

17 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Clark
18 in paragraph F on page 3 you suggest that in order to
19 encourage private practice in smaller centres subsidies
20 should be provided or low interest loans to private
21 practitioners. What kind of subsidies did you have in
22 mind, sir?

23 MR. CLARK: Initially it takes
24 three to five years for a private practitioner to
25 establish his clinic and provide the adequate services
26 both from the patient's standpoint and from his stand-
27 point of procuring a living. In that interim period
28 he requires help. There are many physiotherapists in
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5 help. We suggest either low interest government loans
6 or some type of subsidization that would get him past
7 that period. He would be required to pay it back. He
8 would be equipped to pay it back.

9 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: He would be
10 required to pay back in the case of a loan. I will
11 come back to the subject of the loans in a minute. I
12 am trying to understand what you mean when you say a
13 subsidy. Did you mean these subsidies, grants given
14 to this person if he settles in one of the smaller
15 centres on the condition that he remains there, is that
16 what you had in mind? Are these tied subsidies?

17 MR. CLARK: This was done in some
18 parts of the States and I understand quite successfully,
19 where they subsidize for people to go into an area where
20 they hadn't been able to attain professional services.

21 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I appreciate
22 it might have been done in the States, but I am trying
23 to establish what your recommendation entails if we
24 want to make use of it in Canada. Are you visualizing
25 that a grant be made to this particular person of
26 \$2,000.00, \$3,000.00 a year to establish himself in that
27 community for a period of three years? What do you have
28 in mind specifically?

29 MR. CLARK: Specifically you have
30 areas in Ontario where about the only way practical that
a physiotherapist could function would be with some type
of subsidization either by local government, provincial



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come back to the subject of the loans in a minute.
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subsidy. Did you mean these subsidies, grants given
to this person if he settles in one of the smaller
centers on the condition that he remains there, is that
what you had in mind? Are these tied subsidies?
Mr. Clark: This was done in some

parts of the States and I understand quite successfully,
where they subsidize the people to go into an area where
they haven't been able to attain professional services.
COMMISSIONER FINKELSTEIN: I associate

it might have been done in the States, but I am trying
to establish what your recommendation entails if we
want to make use of it in Canada. Are you visualizing
that a grant be made to this particular person or
\$2,000.00, \$3,000.00 a year to establish himself in that
community for a period of three years? What do you have
in mind exactly?
Mr. Clark: Specifically you have

cases in Ontario where most the only way to attract that
any other way could function would be with some type
of a stipend either by local government, provincial



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COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I am trying to be practical, assuming there would be smaller hospitals in the smaller centres could that therapist not be put on a salary to provide certain services at that hospital. He might be spending only part time there and that would give him a basic minimum and he would then be permitted to practise outside the hospital if he could find patients and develop a practice. Would that sort of approach meet the point you have in mind when you say subsidy?

MR. CLARK: This is already being done, but we don't think it should be only in isolated cases. I know of one case in Tillsonburg where the physiotherapist does it, part time in the hospital plus a private practice. They have come to terms with the Hospital Services Commission in regard to that service. The same sort of thing could be done elsewhere I feel sure. There should be some publication of the knowledge or standard set, not just leave it to the local level because nobody wants to dig too much.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: How much does it cost to acquire a reasonable amount of equipment for a young person starting out in practice?

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6 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Have you had
7 instances where people trying to establish themselves
8 in practice have told you or your associates that they
9 cannot borrow \$5,000.00 from the bank and get established
10 in practice? The interest on \$5,000.00 would be
11 something like \$300.00 a year. Is this a very heavy
12 burden that you feel the government should enter the
13 field when we have financial institutions whose business
14 it is to lend money to professionals and otherwise?

15 MR. CLARK: The newly graduated
16 physiotherapist has a pretty rough time digging up
17 references to satisfy the bank of his ability to pay.
18 The bank will not take education as collateral for a
19 loan.

20 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Is it not
21 true that some doctors go to banks to get some help to
22 buy equipment in the initial period?

23 MR. CLARK: That they do. I did myself.

24 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And you
25 succeeded?

26 MR. CLARK: I didn't get \$5,000.00. I
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MR. CLARK: I am not, no.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: May I suggest to you to examine the Act as amended in the last session of Parliament. You will see that professional personnel can now obtain loans under the Act where they demonstrate they could not obtain loans through other channels such as chartered banks. Thank you very much.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much Mr. Clark.

THE SECRETARY: The next brief, Mr. Chairman, is the Association of Remedial Gymnasts. It will be known as exhibit 317. Mr. Wells will present the submission.

---EXHIBIT NO. 317:

Submission of The
Association of Remedial
Gymnasts (Ontario)



CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS: MAY I SUGGEST

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SUBMISSION OF
THE ASSOCIATION OF REMEDIAL GYMNASTS (ONTARIO)

APPEARANCES: Mr. T.P. Wells
Mr. D.E. Creighton

MR. WELLS: Mr. Chairman and Members of the Royal Commission my colleague is Mr. Dennis Creighton and I am Thomas Percy Wells, President of the Ontario Association of Remedial Gymnasts. In presenting this brief, sir, I would like to say the two of us represent a very small body of men and as such we had to compile this brief ourselves. Unfortunately we had a very short time to do it so I should apologize first of all for a few typographical errors you will find in our brief due to the fact we had a short time for proofreading. I hope, sir, you will forgive it.

We believe, sir, that our presentation will show the role and employment of the specialty of Remedial Gymnasts in recreational therapy and of those who practice it can effectively contribute to the success which today's conception of total rehabilitation lays claim.

It is with this conviction that we present the brief with the sincere hope that the services of the skill and personnel will be made available to all who would benefit from them.

So the conclusions, sir, that we arrived at are as follows:



SUBMISSION OF

THE ASSOCIATION OF REMEDIAL GYMNASTS (CANADA)

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To the Commission, sir, that we

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In convalescent, physical maintenance and restorative phases of care, experience has shown that Remedial Gymnastics and Recreational Therapy can play a major role. This has helped to reduce the stay in hospitals or other institutions and enabled the person to enter into gainful employment more quickly. Also through Recreational Therapy the patient is able to maintain a cheerful outlook and morale. This also helps to shorten the institutional stay.

A recent review has shown that the Remedial Gymnast is best employed in institutions larger than 150-bed capacity. This number enables the gymnast to take the patients in class-form. Also, a number of hospitals who do not employ a Remedial Gymnast at present would do so when their programs are developed.

The retirement age is approaching for ex-service Remedial Physical Training Instructor and Remedial Gymnast necessitating replacement. This can only be done by the inauguration of an educational establishment in Remedial Gymnastics and Recreational Therapy.

A review of the member's "Application for Membership" forms indicated a lack of academic uniformity. For effective communication with the other treatment auxiliaries and also recognition by these people a comparable education standard, leading to an acknowledged certification must be made available.

A large percentage of the public is unaware of the Remedial Gymnast, his training,



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qualifications, employment and more importantly the role that he can play in effective rehabilitation.

That the remuneration offered to the present-day Remedial Gymnast is not one which will attract the right type of person who would wish to make this form of vocation a life-time career.

That Remedial Gymnastics and Recreational Therapy do not compete with physiotherapeutic procedures but, supplement them and where there is a team effort, in the true sense, both have their own part to play; the physiotherapist concerned with individually prescribed treatment and the Remedial Gymnast taking over when this phase gives place to class or group activities.

RECOMMENDATIONS

For consideration by the Royal Commission on Health Services, the Association of Remedial Gymnasts (Ontario) recommends that:

The Remedial Gymnast be included in all present and future Health and Medical Care programs where his services are beneficial and contribute to the treatment of the individual and the welfare of the population as a whole.

A course of training in Remedial Gymnastics and Recreational Therapy be established to meet the present and growing demand for trained Remedial Gymnasts. This course should be comparable to The Remedial Gymnast in Great Britain and the Corrective Therapist in the U.S.A.

Assistance be given to the Association



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For consideration by the Royal Society

on the Health Services, the Association of Remedial

Gymnastics (Contract) recommends that:

The Remedial Gymnast be included in

all present and future health and welfare work and

there be a view to the fact that the contribution to the

rehabilitation of the individual and the relief of the

population as a whole.

A course of training in Remedial

Gymnastics and Occupational Therapy be established to

train and retrain the health and welfare workers

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3 in developing a program to recruit suitable candidates
4 for training as Remedial Gymnasts. This should be
5 done at high school level through the Vocational
6 Guidance Counsellor.

7 To attract the right type of candidate
8 into this profession a commensurate level of wages
9 must be received.

10 The Remedial Gymnast, trained in the
11 specialty of Recreational Therapy, be employed in
12 school and community programs in which prevention of
13 physical and functional deterioration and correctional
14 therapy are included. This health care should be the
15 right of all, especially the youth of the Nation.

16 These, sir, are our recommendations.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much,
18 Mr. Wells. You stated at one of the conclusion para-
19 graphs, No. 14, that the remedial gymnast takes over
20 when this phase gives place to class or group activities.
21 What is the average size of the group which you may be
22 concerned with?

23 MR. WELLS: I speak now, sir, for
24 present-day usage in my own institution, where I employ
25 13 remedial gymnasts.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: What institution is
27 that?

28 MR. WELLS: That is the Workmen's
29 Compensation Board, sir, of Ontario. Our classes
30 range anywhere from 10 to 60. The best number I
would imagine for control would be anywhere in the
region of 16 to 20.



for training as remedial workers. This should be done at high school level through the Vocational Guidance Council.

To attract the right type of candidates into this profession a commensurate level of wages must be received.

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These, sir, are our recommendations.

The G.A. Board: Thank you very much.

Mr. Wallis: You raised at one of the committee's meetings, Nov. 14, that the Federal Government, taken over from this phase of the program to direct or control all activities, is the average rate of the group which is very low.

Mr. Wallis:

Mr. Wallis: I would say, sir, that

responsibility lies in the hands of the Federal Government.

Mr. Wallis: That institution is

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Commission Board, sir, of Education. The only one

which is responsible for the program. The program is

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THE CHAIRMAN: I don't want to put this incorrectly, but do you see yourselves as having any function in the acute hospital?

MR. WELLS: Yes, sir, I was trained in Great Britain, and there I was engaged in the ward, pre-operative and post-operative, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Just in what way?

MR. WELLS: For specific exercises, sir, particularly in orthopaedic hospitals.

THE CHAIRMAN: You mention a school program at Recommendation No. 19. What would be the function of the remedial gymnast in a school program?

MR. WELLS: Well, I am thinking more, sir, on the preventive side of physical deterioration. I am thinking in terms - I can remember quite well that I was actively engaged in pre-service training in the old country during the National Service years, sir, and I was stationed at a centre where we had similar conditions prevailing, where we gave pre-service reconditioning programs to sub-standard recruits.

There we dealt with the postural defect, the person who was slightly underweight, who was sub-standard as far as physical standards, sir, and there my job was to, by a process of physical conditioning in a short three months, to improve their physical standards.

I am thinking in terms of a similar capacity now, where the remedial gymnast, whose skill is largely that of adaptive physical education, supervised medically, these people can be usefully employed



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I don't want to put

this information, but do you see yourselves as having

any function in the future?

MR. WILSON: Yes, sir, I was trained

in great detail, and there I was engaged in the work,

pre-operative and post-operative, sir.

MR. WILSON: Just in that way?

MR. WILSON: For specific exercises,

with a specific purpose.

MR. WILSON: You mention a school

program at Reconstruction Hospital. What would be the

function of the medical department in a school program?

MR. WILSON: Well, I am thinking, more,

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by municipalities in taking schoolchildren of this particular quality.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are you familiar with the Canadian Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation?

MR. WELLS: No, sir, I am not.

THE CHAIRMAN: I was wondering just what similarity, or dissimilarities, you might be able to give us, because we heard from them yesterday afternoon in somewhat the same, parallel language and propositions.

MR. WELLS: Well, I feel there is a difference here, sir, that the remedial gymnast is a person who has been medically trained besides having had a basic of the other. I don't know how these other people have been trained, whether they have received further training under medical direction.

THE CHAIRMAN: The remedial gymnast; you say he has been medically trained?

MR. WELLS: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Does he operate under a prescription?

MR. WELLS: Yes, sir. He is an institutional worker primarily. I know of no instance where a remedial gymnast, sir, is employed on a private basis.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you wish to add something, Mr. Creighton?

MR. CREIGHTON: I don't think I could add anything to that.

THE CHAIRMAN: I thought a while ago



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MR. KELLY: I don't think I will.

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that you were indicating that you might have something to add?

MR. CREIGHTON: I was thinking on the educational aspect, that we had a course in mind that we had more or less designed. This course; we don't know of any in Canada and we would like to see a course established.

THE CHAIRMAN: That is a course of what?

MR. CREIGHTON: A course in remedial gymnastics and recreational therapy, both. There is a course ---

THE CHAIRMAN: In terms of physical education; is it along the same lines?

MR. CREIGHTON: There would be a similarity, yes, but the remedial gymnast would go along on the medical aspect of this, the treatment of medical problems, where the physical educationist is primarily concerned with the schoolchildren and he is not concerned with any physical deformities, or anything of this nature.

THE CHAIRMAN: How would you go along then on the medical side?

MR. CREIGHTON: Well, just what do you mean by ---

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, you just said that you are concerned with the medical aspect.

MR. CREIGHTON: Well, the remedial gymnast has studied the medical conditions, and he applies his knowledge to these medical problems that



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arise. Orthopaedic cases, geriatric cases.

Then there is also the pre-operative and the post-operative patient, that this remedial gymnast would condition the person prior to a specific operation, usually again in an orthopaedic capacity.

MR. WELLS: I think the term, sir, adaptive physical education expresses just what Mr. Creighton really means here. It is exercise adapted to a medical end, and it is supervised very, very religiously by the medical man, whom you cannot work without.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Mr. Chairman, I was just wondering, you said there were no schools here in Canada for remedial gymnasts?

MR. WELLS: That is right.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Did both of you train abroad in some other country?

MR. WELLS: I was sent to Canada in 1943 as a member of the British team of Army Physical Training Corps, and when I came to Canada I had to train selected officers, warrant officers and N.C.O.'s, to start the casualty re-training centres that were being introduced at that time to deal with the Canadian casualties.

After the war I was retained here in Canada for a further year by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, and I was responsible there, under the direction of the Director of Physical Medicine in Ottawa, training another four courses, approximately 200 men, in adaptive physical education to staff the D.V.A. hospitals across



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you can't depend on any other country?

MR. WILSON: I was going to say it

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Since then, madam, there has been no training at all in remedial gymnastics. The people I am able to recruit are other physical educationists, and we do training on the job.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: In-service training?

MR. WELLS: Yes.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: So that all those that have been trained have been trained on the job?

MR. WELLS: Yes.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: What would be your curriculum if you did have a school? Would this be a one-year course, a two-year course?

MR. WELLS: No, I was thinking about a very similar plan that prevails in our nursing schools. I was thinking it is part technical and it is part academic.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Would you be the equivalent of nursing assistants in a nursing school?

MR. WELLS: No, not at all.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: What would be your position?

MR. WELLS: Let me say that I feel it could be based upon a hospital, and the technical training could be taken from a hospital that employs a specialist in physical medicine, and then the academic, I feel, should be comparable to the combined P.T.O.T. that is now being carried out on a similar plan, and



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therefore, at the end of two years, I would suggest that a further year of internship on a negotiated wage basis for a further year under training in a general hospital, a neurological unit, a geriatric unit, and other units similar to that.

Now, this would lead to a three-year diploma course, at the end of which a diploma granted by a centre of higher education.

I don't see this being on the same level as a nursing aide. I see it on the same level as the P.T. or the O.T., for these are the people we have to work with.

COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Well, why wouldn't your school be in those schools, or departments of those schools, since there is a great relationship in the functions?

MR. WELLS: This would have to be negotiated, and I would think we haven't arrived at that as an Association. We have not come to that level of negotiation. Immediately our brief has been accepted, or refused, here, we hope to get our Charter on the ---

THE CHAIRMAN: It is not a case of either being accepted or refused, Mr. Wells. We receive it as information, as the considered views of you gentlemen who are knowledgeable in this field and it will become part and parcel of the whole information that we have gathered together to use as our judgment makes it fit ultimately, but as of now we don't reject it, because we have received you.



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MR. WELLS: May I carry on, sir, from there?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. WELLS: Thank you very much; and then I foresee, madam, that since we have finished with the Royal Commission we hope to get the Charter and from there it is our hope, as an Association, to go to the three universities; we are thinking in terms of the U. of T., the York and Queen's and we hope there to enter into the field of negotiation with the Deans, to see about this education, to see if it is possible that they will receive us.



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8 those who graduate. Where do you visualize such an
9 employment bureau to be established? Do you feel that
10 the National Employment Service could perform that
11 function?

12 MR. WELLS: No, I do not. I feel that
13 the Association, the Remedial Gymnasts in particular, is
14 very little known; in fact, we had a questionnaire which
15 we sent out to all the institutions across the Province;
16 I think we sent somewhere around 105, or so, I am not
17 sure of the figure at the moment according to memory.
18 But of those we only received about 60 replies. So we
19 are not widely known, and many people from day to day
20 will ask: "What are you? Who do you represent? Are you
21 conflicting at all with the physiotherapists or the
22 occupational therapists?" So it is with this in mind I
23 feel it is no use in thinking of terms of training if there
24 are no employment outlets. We are a very small body.
25 I think the term of employment bureau here will be coupled
26 with the academic institutions where they could run an
27 outlet.

28 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I under-
29 stood you correctly, you are visualizing these courses
30 to be given at the University; is that right?

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QUESTIONER: P. 102: And in a



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MR. WELLS: That is right.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And then there would be an employment bureau attached to which institution?

MR. WELLS: I think in university institutions.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And you visualize an employment bureau specializing only for remedial gymnasts?

MR. WELLS: Yes, I do, to give you a direct answer, but I don't think -- it would have to be not more than a very perfunctory one.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Mr. Wells, how does your scheme fit into the current physical fitness program? I am just trying to learn where you come in.

MR. WELLS: Yes. I feel that in any physical fitness program there is a direct and indirect method of reconditioning. I think the direct is concerned with the well person who merely wants physical maintenance. There are others who can do very well on a program of adaptation. For instance, I have been concerned with the March of Dimes quite recently in Brockville. We have in Brockville a community project fostered by the rehabilitation foundation in which a considerable number of handicapped people have been vocationally rehabilitated, and by lack of facilities and advice these people may be deconditioned and become once again an expense to the community. My job as a remedial gymnast was to go down there and demonstrate how it is possible to maintain a



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level of physical fitness so that they can be independent of others and carry on a living.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Do you do group treatments or individual treatments?

MR. WELLS: Group, sir; although we are qualified to treat individually, sir.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Do you do private practice?

MR. WELLS: No, sir.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: In what way do you work? Do you work for organizations?

MR. WELLS: Yes, I work for the Workmen's Compensation Board of Ontario.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Lastly, I didn't follow the conversation, I think, you say here in 26 that "several institutions have accepted graduates from the 'College of Massage and Hydro-Therapy' in Toronto."

MR. WELLS: Yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: There is a school in Toronto?

MR. WELLS: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I don't want to go into any great details.

MR. WELLS: Yes, there is one that is south of St. Clair on Yonge Street, on Farnham Avenue, and their people are primarily concerned, being taught the rudiments of massage. People go to health clubs, physical centres, and this the only place where you can get men who have a basic knowledge of anatomy, and so on.

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possible to supply some information about that school?

MR. WELLS: Yes, sir. I have it here.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And you will do so through the Secretary?

MR. WELLS: Yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And you practice under the Drugless Practitioners' Act?

MR. WELLS: No, sir, we do not. That is the man who is trained at this particular college, and he is primarily trained to practice massage and hydro-therapy under the Drugless Practitioners' Act, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Wells, and Mr. Creighton.

MR. WELLS: Thank you, sir.

THE SECRETARY: Mr. Chairman, the next submission is the Zifkin Biological Laboratory Limited, and Mr. Zifkin will present the submission. It will be known as Exhibit 318.



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R. WILSON: Yes, sir. I have it here.
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COMMISSIONER FAIRMAN: Thank you very much.

Mr. Wells, and Mr. Cheterton.

Mr. Wilson: Thank you, sir.

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and Mr. Wilkin will present the submission. It will be

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---EXHIBIT NO. 318: Submission of the Zifkin
Biological Laboratory Limited.

SUBMISSION OF
THE ZIFKIN BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY LIMITED

APPEARANCES:

MR. H. ZIFKIN

MR. ZIFKIN: I would like to preface my remarks by expressing my appreciation for the privilege of coming here and to expound on my convictions, which have been held over a number of years.

I would like also to express my pride at our Provincial Laboratories and their methods which are under the direction of Dr. Alperston. Also during the brief a mention was made of a home-care plan, and I would express my admiration of Dr. Pachineau and his wonderful group who are experimenting in this particular project.

I have been in the laboratory field now for close on to thirty years as a technician, registered in the Canadian Society of Technologists.

As the years have passed and the technical field has become more complex, I have felt that perhaps people in technology are today a field unto themselves, in a field where they can stand on their own abilities and direction and be able to perform tests on their own. There is an area now where there is a certain amount of confusion. There will be, I am certain, more and



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The technicality of supervision of medicine is a very interesting thing, because I do not feel that it is at all possible any more, as it was when I first washed my first glasses, to see an actual pathologist doing the work in the lab, it has been gradually changed and these things are taking place. I remember my uncle's old Dodge touring car had to be repaired by a civil engineer, and as cars became more popular the civil engineers became more few and we developed mechanics. The optical men, the optometrists, used to grind their own lenses until the technicians took them over. And we have this spreading into the field of dental work where the dental technician is now an entity unto himself.

Now, that is also the privilege of the physician, and this is where the point of technicality comes in. When a physician prescribes a certain lab test, if he asks for a specific thing to be done, does this constitute in itself permission given to a technician in a private laboratory -- by the way, I don't come to ask for any funds; I don't think I could here. However, if this physician prescribes a white count, naming the



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laboratory, does this constitute an actual direction to do a white count on an individual? This is a matter of great debate. There are many things in our laboratory, of course, which are not done because it is unethical to do it, and the matter of morals, ethics, integrity, is not confined to any individual group. But, of course, throughout this broad field of medicine applies to all as one great team.

So we must face the future with a method of grading, licensing, controlling laboratories, but if we are going to license these laboratories the person who is licensed has a responsibility to the licensing group. On the other hand, another interesting development must take place if labs are to be licensed, and that is the next step. If this licensed lab does exist, will it be acceptable to all branches of medicine after that? And I have specific problems here. For instance, if this process of laboratories exists and we are permitted to function, what happens under P.S.I., the Physicians' Services Incorporated or the Associated Medical Services? Will they recognize a request to a physician to our lab and will they honour that fee that will be presented by a lab? We had a pathologist to whom we had given free rental space, performed a test and he did everything himself, submitted his bill to one of the groups here and he was refused payment. The technicality was that he didn't pay rent in our place, although we gave him all the facilities. We found that in that particular case it was not successful. I am sorry to say that two months' work went for naught over a small



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12 and pharmacists and we work together. When a doctor
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14 capable of doing it and they send it over to our lab.
15 On the other hand, many, I am certain, are not at all
16 capable in doing such tests, notwithstanding, they
17 are undertaking to do this particular work. This is
18 something that is gaining great momentum in this city,
19 particularly where drug stores are doing more and more
20 of body fluid testing.

21 The reason I mention the series of
22 labs is for the sake of economy. For instance, we have
23 two locations now and a third and it is very important
24 in what my own concept of medicine in the future will
25 be. This is another wing that I want to go into, the
26 pilot home care plan.

27 I think you have my brief here where
28 we mention this home care. This is a matter that we
29 feel many patients, and having been a coronary patient
30 myself, and having been in hospital for many, many
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11 minimum of \$20.00 per day and such a test can be done
12 for between \$4.00 and \$5.00. We have worked with Dr.
13 Pequenat on his plan and it has shown some wonderful
14 results but this plan requires more publicity than it
15 has ever had. We feel the Hospital Commission should
16 undertake perhaps once this pilot plan is well established
17 to investigate perhaps the possibility of doing more home
18 service laboratory, physiotherapy work in physicians'
19 offices by having more than one lab where from the
20 centre of one particular place you can send out technicians
21 to various parts of the city and take the work back to
22 a centralized lab. In that way you could make things
23 as economical as possible and would cover a large area
24 of the city. This would be the same as they have in
25 Detroit under an experimental plan has cut the hospital
26 stay from 47 to 20 under certain conditions. It is
27 quite possible to see that such a house plan, a home
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8 East York and one patient in the area of Scarborough
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11 way across the city to do one test. We are able to
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22 with a dignity to become one in the lab field and being
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24 establishing of a licensing system for these labs and
25 to assure every doctor that the labs are qualified and
26 to publicize this.

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28 naturally, this becomes an economic thing and I admit it
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7 the yellow pages of our telephone book will show a great
8 number of laboratories in this city, that it should be
9 a privilege of the patient to go to any lab he wishes.
10 I do not think the doctor should say to which lab he
11 should go.

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13 There is the answer, of course, that
14 you do not do this work. Naturally this would limit
15 immediately the recommendation of the doctor to our
16 lab or the patient coming to our lab with a specific
17 thing which we do not do.

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19 I would just conclude with once again
20 asking a greater publicity, a greater encouragement to
21 the home, the private home care plan which is sponsored
22 by the City of Toronto. Thank you very much.

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24 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you Mr. Zifkin.
25 I must say we are obliged to you for having accepted
26 our invitation to come today instead of as originally
27 planned. Is there any impediment to anyone going into
28 the business of a laboratory?

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30 MR. ZIFKIN: At the moment there is
none whatsoever.

COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Is that not
the reason why the doctors today must direct people
to a particular laboratory because he will at least have
some basis of judging the quality of the work and the
technical efficiency whereas the patient would not have
any?



of a psychiatrist, that no physician should authorize or
ethically prescribe a definite course where a patient
should not. We need that laboratories, and a patient to
the yellow pages of our telephone book will show a great
number of laboratories in this city, that it should be
a privilege of the patient to go to any lab he wishes.
I do not think the doctor should say to which lab he
should go.

There is the answer, of course, that
you do not do this work. Naturally this would limit
immediately the recommendation of the doctor to any
lab of the patient coming to our lab with a specific
thing which he does not do.

I would just come out with once again
asking a greater profit, a greater responsibility to
the home, the private home care plan which is sponsored
by the City of Toronto. Thank you very much.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.
I must say we are obliged to you for having accepted
our invitation to come today instead of as originally
planned. It was an impediment to several other first
the presence of a large group.
MR. WILKIN: As the matter stands in

some measure of
the reason why the doctor today must direct people
to a particular laboratory is that he is at least aware
of the limits of his own knowledge of the work and the
limits of his ability to direct the patient to a
lab which he does not know.



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4 MR. ZIFKIN: On the other hand, I am
5 to be considered too, therefore, I must be inferior.

6 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Some doctors
7 may think you are inferior.

8 MR. ZIFKIN: Yes, that is true, of
9 course, but on the simplest of tests we are capable of
10 carrying it out. I am speaking of the simple things
11 that I have mentioned.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: You liken yourself
13 to a druggist, a druggist is licensed and can practise
14 only if he is a holder of a licence valid in the province
15 where he is doing business. You say anyone can open
16 a lab and say "Here, I have opened my lab, now everybody
17 must accept me as being as good as Mr. Zifkin merely
18 because I have opened the lab".

19 MR. ZIFKIN: Excuse me, perhaps I
20 did not make it clear. There is no licensing as such
21 but there is a standard body and a standard of examina-
22 tions nationally known as the Society of Laboratory
23 Technologists. There is a registry of people qualified
24 to do this particular type of work and even in this
25 organization there are now as many specialists as there
26 are in the field of medicine.

27 THE CHAIRMAN: Well, a person who has
28 technical qualifications to do laboratory examinations
29 and so forth opens his lab; how does the public get
30 to him at all, just by advertising as you would if you
were opening a corner drug store?

MR. ZIFKIN: There has been no advertising
to the public at all.



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THE CHAIRMAN: Or to the profession?

MR. ZIFKIN: To the profession and never by a personal visit in all my 30 years.

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, to the available market?

MR. ZIFKIN: Yes, it has always been by mail and all just goodwill. In hospitals we are now finding our services are being used in the smaller hospitals ---

THE CHAIRMAN: Those which do not maintain a full scale laboratory?

MR. ZIFKIN: No but neither do we.

THE CHAIRMAN: If hospitals do not have this then you provide the service?

MR. ZIFKIN: Yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I think I saw it here where you mention that there is a provincial laboratory in Ontario and that is located where?

MR. ZIFKIN: We have a very wonderful system of laboratories here. We have a main laboratory on Christie Street in Toronto and I think there is anticipated a very large new one being built on the outskirts of the city. There are, I think, something like seven or eight branches throughout the province.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Those are provincial laboratories?

MR. ZIFKIN: Yes.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And they supply that service of specimens to be examined?

MR. ZIFKIN: Basically they are public



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MR. ZIFKIN: Certainly they are paid



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5 now going into the field of diagnostics.

6 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Just starting
7 that?

8 MR. ZIFKIN: They have been doing them
9 for quite a while, I believe.

10 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: For years?

11 MR. ZIFKIN: One of the interesting
12 things, of course, are blood sugars which are done without
13 charge. I do not know of any other place that does it
14 quite like that.

15 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: The reason
16 I am asking is because in certain provinces they give
17 an extensive service and there is hardly any limitation
18 but there is a limitation so far in the operation in
19 Ontario, it is not a widespread service, it does not
20 cover ---

21 MR. ZIFKIN: Yes, complete.

22 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And that is
23 given to patients through doctors submitting the specimen
24 free of charge?

25 MR. ZIFKIN: No, there is a slight
26 charge.

27 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: By whom?

28 MR. ZIFKIN: By the Department of
29 Health, a very nominal fee to the physician.

30 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: In your
laboratory do you do bacteriological examinations?

MR. ZIFKIN: No sir, we do nothing
that would in any way be in the field of public health.

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COMMISSIONER BALDWIN: And that is

given to patients in such towns mounting the service these of course

MR. ZILKIN: No, there is a slight

MR. ZILKIN: Yes, I am reporting

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3 That is why I say the limitations come into it. Once
4 they are licensed it would be known what that lab does.

5 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Yours is the
6 only one that gives the home service type of service?

7 MR. ZIFKIN: No sir, there are others.

8 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Thank you.

9 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Do you do
10 P.B.I.'s?

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: On page 6
12 of your brief you say:

13 "There is an increasing tendency for

14 "drug stores to accept body fluid

15 "material for testing and not being

16 "in a position (in almost all cases)

17 "of being capable of doing any analysis."

18 Are we to understand this paragraph
19 or the sentence to mean that drug stores perform these
20 tests increasingly and they provide inadequate or
21 inferior analyses?

22 MR. ZIFKIN: I do not think drug stores
23 have registered technicians doing this work.

24 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: That is a
25 statement of fact, I am just interested in the result
26 of such tests as are done by drug stores. Are these,
27 in your opinion, and have you any actual evidence where
28 such analyses was done and it was inadequate and inferior?

29 MR. ZIFKIN: We have never kept a
30 record of these things but we have had information on
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of doing these things by pharmacists who work in certain



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 "general for testing and not being
 "in a position (in almost all cases)
 "of being capable of doing any analysis
 "and we to understand this fact and
 "of the tendency to meet that drug abuse problem there
 "is increasing and they provide the degree of
 "in their analysis."
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5 experience only, that it was told to me. In the case
6 of an error we know errors can occur but in the following
7 paragraph we also can hint and say we know or it was
8 told to us again by former employees that specimens
9 were actually taken and thrown in the sink and reported.
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THE CHAIRMAN: You were told by whom?

MR. ZIFKIN: A previous employee of
a drugstore.

THE CHAIRMAN: I don't think we
should accept this, with all the publicity of a
Commission accepting a lot of hearsay evidence.

MR. ZIFKIN: This is merely hearsay.
I made that clear.

THE CHAIRMAN: I don't think we need
go into that.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: How do
these drugstores get involved? Is it on referral by
a physician?

MR. ZIFKIN: This, too, has an
historical background. At one time they were permitted
to take in all specimens. We did not do any work for
drugstores for a number of years until we were
approached that perhaps we should do it, at least,
this was an approach by one of the inspectors, I
think, of the College of Pharmacy.

The law was changed after that, that
a drugstore could accept specimens providing a report
is given to the doctor. We did work after that. At
first we did not accept work because we didn't know
where the report was going. After it was approved by
their own College that they could accept work and the
report went to the doctor, of course, we were not in a
position to question whether each patient did have a
doctor. However we do know that not all specimens are
reported to doctors.



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report went to the doctor, of course, as we had to

report to the doctor. The same patient did have a

doctor. However, we did not know that at all at the time and

reported to doctor.



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COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: You say they could accept specimens. You do not say whether they can perform the test.

MR. ZIFKIN: Accept specimens.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: What about performing the test?

MR. ZIFKIN: I suppose the College of Pharmacy could possibly argue that they are chemists.

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: So that they may even do the test and that is being recognized by their own College.

MR. ZIFKIN: Well, I never asked. I merely ---

COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am only asking.

MR. ZIFKIN: These are the little branches of laboratory work which one will have to face in the future. I mean to say, they would be chemists, I suppose, in the eyes of the College of Pharmacy. Our Society, certainly, is doing something to make a stand in this direction.

COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: You say in the follow-up paragraph on page 6:

"We feel it would to the best interest of the medical profession and of the patients if such practices by the drugstores were to cease."

If physicians are referring, in some cases, these tests to drugstores, presumably physicians must be satisfied otherwise they wouldn't do it.



COMMISSIONER WILLIAM: Now say this

and it accept specimens. You do not say whether they

can perform the test.

MR. ATKIN: Accept specimens.

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of London could easily argue that they are chemists.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAM: No, that is

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in the future. I want to say, they would be similar,

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cases, these tests for inspection, particularly on the

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3 MR. ZIFKIN: Perhaps they know, in
4 some cases, it is being sent to a lab from there.
5 I suppose, too, it is a matter of economics, perhaps,
6 where the thing may be charged to the physician. I
7 don't know. I can only guess. I am assuming this;
8 that he sends the patient or has some charge account
9 between the doctor and the pharmacy and he sends them
10 to the pharmacy. We have often asked patients when
11 they 'phone us for the results - for instance, we had
12 a specimen from a patient, from a drugstore, and it
13 wasn't ready the next morning. The animal had died
14 or something and we found it necessary to repeat the
15 test. The drugstore wouldn't 'phone us but asked the
16 patient to 'phone us and in that way we asked why it
17 was taken to the drugstore, not to a lab. She said
18 she thought all drugstores did these tests. We
19 could have some interesting recordings of our telephone
20 calls with such things that go on.

21 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you,
22 sir.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Zifkin.
24 We will adjourn to 9.30 tomorrow
25 morning.

26 --- Adjournment.
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